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HIGHLIGHTS

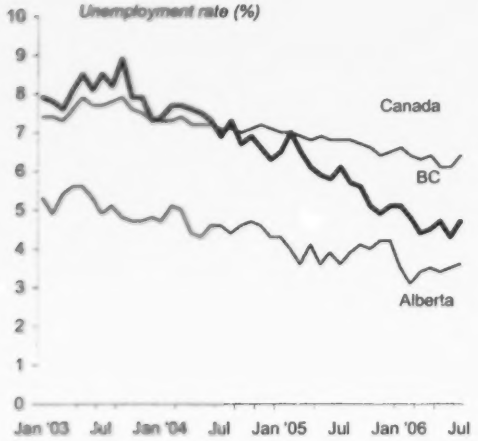
All labour force statistics are seasonally adjusted, unless otherwise indicated

Jobless rate inches up in August but remains well below the national average

British Columbia's unemployment rate inched up to 4.8% in August, as a marginal drop in the number of jobs (-0.1%, or -2,200) was accompanied by virtually no change (+0.0%, or +200) in the number of people who were either working or looking for work.

BC's unemployment rate remained among the lowest in the country, and was only 0.6 percentage points higher than Alberta's (4.2%). Manitoba (4.5%) had the second-lowest unemployment rate in the country, while BC was ranked third among the provinces.

The unemployment rate gap between BC and Alberta is shrinking...



British Columbia's participation rate remained stable in August, with 65.5% of the working age population (15 and older) in the labour force.

...but BC continues to have a lower-than-average participation rate

British Columbia's participation rate has varied over the years, but has stayed below the national average since the late 1990s, typically ranking sixth or seventh among the provinces. Alberta, which has consistently had the highest rate in the country (at least since 1977) has seen the rate increase in recent months. At 73.9%, Alberta's participation rate was considerably higher than the national average (67.2%) in August, and also well above second- and third-place Saskatchewan (69.4%) and Manitoba (69.0%).

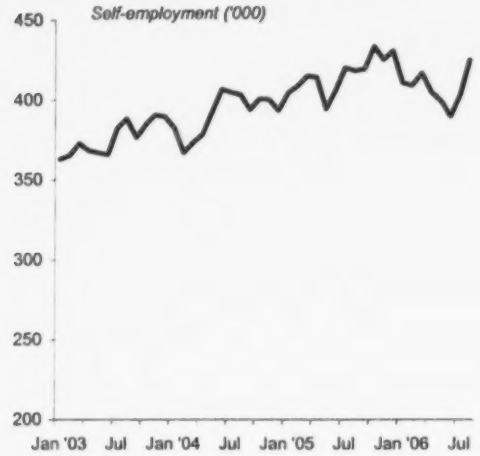
Job growth stalls in the service sector; fewer jobs in goods industries

Employment in the goods sector slipped back 1.0% as employment declined or job growth stalled in most industries. The number of jobs in construction was virtually unchanged

(-0.1%), while employment in utilities dropped (-2.2%) for the first time since April.

The service sector, which employs eight out of every ten workers in the province, recorded a marginal increase in employment (+0.1%) as job growth in some industries was offset by declines in others, particularly those with a large public sector component. However, professional, scientific & technical services (+7.2%) and management & administration (+6.0%) took on significantly more workers.

Self-employment continued to climb



More men (+0.3%) but fewer women (-0.6%) had jobs in August. Employment fell in both the public (-1.4%) and private (-1.3%) sector, but there was a big increase in the number of self-employed British Columbians (+5.4%).

Full-time employment edged up 0.8%, while the number of people with part-time jobs slipped (-3.6%). The unemployment rate for young people (aged 18-24) remained relatively low (8.0%), but was nearly double the 4.2% rate for workers aged 25 and over.

Unemployment rate drops in most regions

Among the regions, jobless rates ranged from 3.5%[1] (*3-month moving average, unadjusted*) in Northeast to 6.2% in Cariboo, where the incidence of joblessness has dropped to about half the 2003 average. Unemployment rates were down in all regions except Thompson-Okanagan and Kootenay, where employment growth has failed to keep pace with an expanding labour force. Kelowna (7.7%) and Kamloops (6.3%) both recorded comparatively high jobless rates in August. North Coast/Nechako and Northeast saw the rate despite falling employment because the labour force shrank together with the number of jobs.

In Vancouver, the unemployment rate fell to 3.8% (*seasonally adjusted*) from 4.0% in the previous month. Victoria, however, saw a 0.6 percentage point increase (to 3.9%). Abbotsford, BC's third census metropolitan area, had an unemployment rate of 4.2% in August.

The Nation

Canada's unemployment rate crept up to 6.5% as the number of jobs (-0.1%) and the size of the labour force (-0.1%) both shrank. Unemployment rates edged down in Ontario, Quebec, Manitoba and PEI but were up in the rest of the country.

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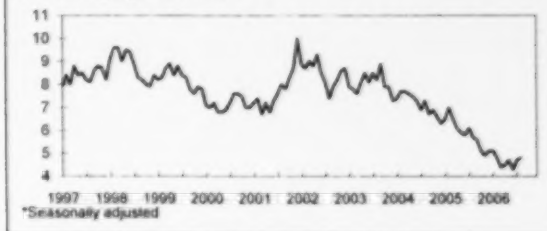
[1] BC Stats estimate using data supplied by Statistics Canada

Selected Statistics	Aug-06	Jul-06	Aug-05
BC Unemployment Rate (%)	4.8	4.7	5.7
Canadian Unemployment Rate (%)	6.5	6.4	6.8
BC Employment ('000)	2,193	2,196	2,137
BC Labour Force Participation Rate (%)	65.5	65.6	65.6
August % change in employment relative to:	-	-0.1	2.6
August % change in labour force relative to:	-	0.0	1.7

1 Summary for August 2006--Actual and Seasonally Adjusted

	Current August 2006		Previous Month July 2006		One Year Ago August 2005		Change from July 2006		Change from August 2005	
	Actual	S.A.	Actual	S.A.	Actual	S.A.	Actual	S.A.	Actual	S.A.
British Columbia										
Working Age Population ('000)	3519.2		3513.7		3456.0		0.2%		1.8%	
Labour Force ('000)	2349.5	2304.1	2347.5	2303.9	2313.1	2266.6	0.1%	0.0%	1.6%	1.7%
Employment ('000)	2222.3	2193.4	2228.2	2195.6	2166.7	2137.0	-0.3%	-0.1%	2.6%	2.6%
Unemployment ('000)	127.2	110.8	119.3	108.3	146.4	129.7	6.6%	2.3%	-13.1%	-14.6%
Employment Rate[1]	63.1%	62.3%	63.4%	62.5%	62.7%	61.8%				
Unemployment Rate	5.4%	4.8%	5.1%	4.7%	6.3%	5.7%				
Participation Rate	66.8%	65.5%	66.8%	65.6%	66.9%	65.6%				
Canada										
Working Age Population ('000)	26,232.5		26,196.9		25,858.8		0.1%		1.4%	
Labour Force ('000)	18,023.7	17,629.7	18,057.7	17,641.5	17,778.4	17,378.8	-0.2%	-0.1%	1.4%	1.4%
Employment ('000)	16,792.0	16,488.8	16,856.8	16,504.8	16,508.5	16,201.1	-0.4%	-0.1%	1.7%	1.8%
Unemployment ('000)	1,231.6	1,140.9	1,200.9	1,136.7	1,269.9	1,177.7	2.6%	0.4%	-3.0%	-3.1%
Employment Rate[1]	64.0%	62.9%	64.3%	63.0%	63.8%	62.7%				
Unemployment Rate	6.8%	6.5%	6.7%	6.4%	7.1%	6.8%				
Participation Rate	68.7%	67.2%	68.9%	67.3%	68.8%	67.2%				

BC Unemployment Rate*:



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BC Employment[1] Rate*:

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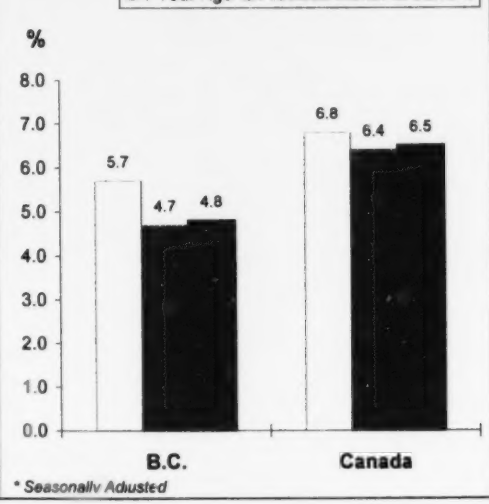
Unemployment* Rate, August 2006



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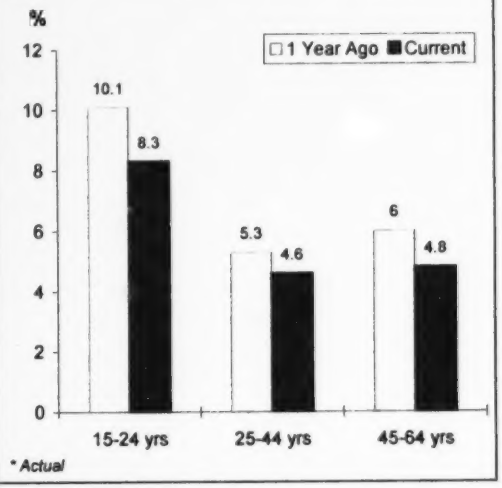
BC Unemployment* Rates by Age, August 2006



* Actual

[1] Employment rate is calculated as employment as a percent of the working age population.

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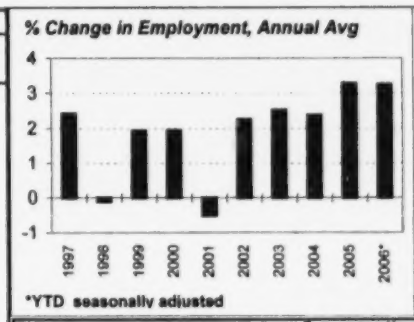
Source: Statistics Canada

2 BC Monthly Labour Force Data

	Actual							
	Labour Force		Employed		Unemployed		Unemployment Rate	Participation Rate
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	(%)	(%)
1996	1,988.4		1,816.4		172.0		8.7	65.6
1997	2,030.6	2.1	1,860.5	2.4	170.1	-1.1	8.4	65.5
1998	2,038.3	0.4	1,858.4	-0.1	179.9	5.8	8.8	64.9
1999	2,064.8	1.3	1,894.4	1.9	170.4	-5.3	8.3	65.1
2000	2,079.9	0.7	1,931.3	1.9	148.6	-12.8	7.1	64.8
2001	2,082.6	0.1	1,921.6	-0.5	161.1	8.4	7.7	64.0
2002	2,147.6	3.1	1,965.0	2.3	182.6	13.3	8.5	65.1
2003	2,190.7	2.0	2,014.7	2.5	176.0	-3.6	8.0	65.6
2004	2,221.9	1.4	2,062.7	2.4	159.2	-9.5	7.2	65.5
2005	2,263.4	1.9	2,130.5	3.3	132.9	-16.5	5.9	65.6



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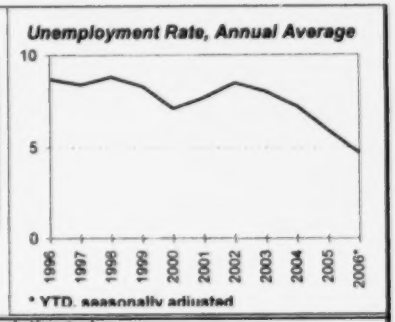

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	Seasonally Adjusted							
	Labour Force		Employed		Unemployed		Unemployment Rate	Participation Rate
	('000)	% Chg*	('000)	% Chg*	('000)	% Chg*	(%)	(%)
2005 Jan	2,216.7	1.3	2,058.0	2.5	158.8	-11.1	7.2	64.9
Feb	2,241.2	2.9	2,069.8	3.7	171.4	-5.8	7.6	65.5
Mar	2,229.5	1.9	2,080.6	3.2	149.0	-13.3	6.7	65.0
Apr	2,231.1	2.3	2,092.4	3.9	138.7	-17.5	6.2	65.0
May	2,274.9	2.0	2,138.3	3.9	136.6	-20.4	6.0	66.1
Jun	2,284.7	0.7	2,159.2	2.1	125.5	-18.9	5.5	66.3
Jul	2,307.1	1.7	2,161.4	2.6	145.7	-10.1	6.3	66.9
Aug	2,313.1	1.6	2,166.7	3.5	146.4	-19.8	6.3	66.9
Sep	2,259.0	1.6	2,142.7	2.7	116.3	-15.2	5.1	65.2
Oct	2,264.9	1.4	2,160.9	3.3	104.0	-26.4	4.6	65.3
Nov	2,271.2	2.7	2,168.0	4.5	103.2	-24.5	4.5	65.4
Dec	2,267.7	2.3	2,168.6	3.6	99.0	-19.9	4.4	65.2
2006 Jan	2,252.5	1.6	2,122.5	3.1	130.0	-18.1	5.8	64.7
Feb	2,260.2	0.8	2,141.7	3.5	118.5	-30.9	5.2	64.8
Mar	2,267.9	1.7	2,164.9	4.1	102.9	-30.9	4.5	64.9
Apr	2,273.0	1.9	2,169.1	3.7	104.0	-25.0	4.6	65.0
May	2,315.6	1.8	2,202.6	3.0	113.1	-17.2	4.9	66.1
Jun	2,317.1	1.4	2,226.3	3.1	90.9	-27.6	3.9	66.0
Jul	2,347.5	1.8	2,228.2	3.1	119.3	-18.1	5.1	66.8
Aug	2,349.5	1.6	2,222.3	2.6	127.2	-13.1	5.4	66.8
Sep								
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Average:								
Jan-Aug05	2,262.3		2,115.8		146.5		6.5	65.8
Jan-Aug06	2,297.9		2,184.7		113.2		4.9	65.6
% Change	1.6		3.3		-22.7			
	2,258.5		2,118.4		140.1		6.2	65.7
	2,294.4		2,187.4		107.0		4.7	65.5
	1.6		3.3		-23.6			

* Per cent changes for "actual" data are calculated as month over same month previous year. For seasonally adjusted data, per cent changes are calculated as month over previous month.

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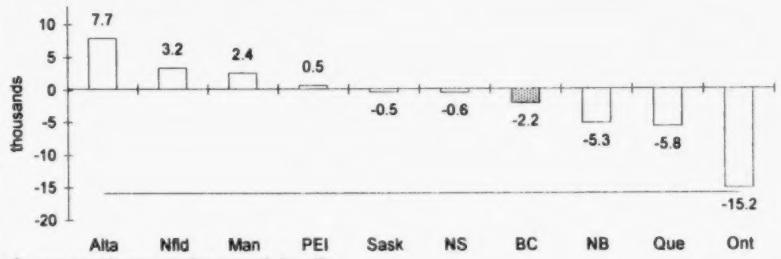
3a Employment ('000) by Province

Actual

	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
1996	1,816.4	1,405.1	456.8	517.4	5,167.1	3,129.8	305.5	376.9	58.9	187.5	13,421.4
1997	1,860.5	1,451.4	466.2	525.6	5,291.4	3,172.8	309.1	382.0	58.8	188.3	13,706.0
1998	1,858.4	1,509.9	470.5	534.2	5,453.3	3,257.5	315.2	395.3	59.6	192.4	14,046.2
1999	1,894.4	1,544.0	471.6	541.4	5,636.7	3,328.1	325.5	404.0	60.2	201.0	14,406.7
2000	1,931.3	1,584.0	473.5	552.3	5,817.1	3,402.8	331.2	411.4	62.7	198.0	14,764.2
2001	1,921.6	1,630.9	460.3	554.3	5,926.2	3,440.2	330.1	415.2	63.6	203.8	14,946.2
2002	1,965.0	1,670.8	468.3	567.2	6,031.4	3,569.9	343.1	422.9	64.7	207.2	15,310.4
2003	2,014.7	1,716.7	476.1	570.3	6,213.2	3,628.8	343.1	431.2	66.1	212.3	15,672.3
2004	2,062.7	1,757.5	479.7	576.6	6,316.5	3,680.5	350.1	442.2	66.9	214.3	15,947.0
2005	2,130.5	1,784.4	483.5	580.3	6,397.7	3,717.3	350.5	443.1	68.2	214.1	16,169.7

Employment Change('000), August 2006* — *Line represents Canada at-16*



** Current month over previous month (saadj)*

Seasonally Adjusted

	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
2005 Jan	2,058.0	1,740.5	473.4	567.9	6,217.0	3,599.5	332.9	426.8	62.8	199.3	15,678.1	2,102.4	1,771.8	486.5	579.7	6,327.1	3,705.2	349.9	444.9	68.7	215.5	16,051.7
Feb	2,069.8	1,748.6	476.3	573.6	6,259.3	3,622.4	333.6	425.3	63.3	197.2	15,769.2	2,103.1	1,773.4	487.5	582.7	6,343.5	3,704.3	351.1	442.7	68.8	213.5	16,070.6
Mar	2,080.6	1,755.7	479.6	569.6	6,247.3	3,620.5	333.6	427.6	63.7	201.5	15,779.8	2,104.5	1,777.0	488.8	575.9	6,347.6	3,695.6	349.8	442.3	68.5	216.0	16,065.9
Apr	2,092.4	1,754.0	476.3	570.6	6,312.6	3,645.9	336.6	434.3	63.5	200.1	15,886.3	2,116.9	1,778.6	485.0	576.3	6,378.9	3,695.9	351.4	444.3	68.2	212.5	16,107.9
May	2,138.3	1,800.7	495.0	587.0	6,458.2	3,698.3	359.9	454.3	70.6	214.6	16,277.0	2,130.7	1,783.2	486.0	579.6	6,405.9	3,668.7	355.1	447.5	67.9	211.8	16,136.2
Jun	2,159.2	1,813.8	498.0	589.4	6,505.1	3,796.3	364.0	457.7	73.3	232.6	16,489.5	2,123.8	1,778.6	484.7	579.4	6,406.0	3,704.6	348.0	443.1	67.2	215.7	16,151.2
Jul	2,161.4	1,814.9	497.3	589.0	6,486.1	3,837.8	368.3	458.3	73.9	242.0	16,529.0	2,128.8	1,787.9	484.1	581.5	6,398.8	3,723.1	349.7	442.0	68.1	216.4	16,180.4
Aug	2,166.7	1,811.9	492.3	587.0	6,507.5	3,814.1	367.7	460.9	73.9	226.3	16,508.5	2,137.0	1,787.0	481.8	580.2	6,405.4	3,737.2	349.1	444.0	67.7	211.8	16,201.1
Sep	2,142.7	1,786.4	480.2	581.8	6,419.5	3,761.0	357.0	443.4	70.9	221.6	16,264.6	2,132.4	1,783.5	478.3	579.3	6,425.7	3,728.8	347.6	438.9	68.1	214.1	16,196.6
Oct	2,160.9	1,791.5	479.9	582.9	6,473.4	3,759.0	351.2	447.1	69.7	215.9	16,331.4	2,148.7	1,793.5	478.8	580.5	6,449.9	3,743.7	347.3	443.1	68.2	214.2	16,267.9
Nov	2,168.0	1,796.6	479.1	583.4	6,459.9	3,734.3	351.7	441.0	67.2	214.0	16,295.1	2,169.0	1,796.7	481.0	584.3	6,446.8	3,745.6	351.9	442.3	68.7	217.2	16,303.4
Dec	2,168.6	1,798.6	474.5	581.9	6,427.1	3,718.2	349.9	439.8	65.9	203.5	16,228.1	2,167.1	1,799.8	479.7	583.6	6,433.4	3,755.0	355.3	441.3	68.6	210.9	16,294.7
2006 Jan	2,122.5	1,780.2	470.8	574.1	6,337.6	3,639.1	342.9	425.0	63.0	193.9	15,949.1	2,166.9	1,810.2	482.9	586.3	6,449.0	3,746.3	358.7	442.8	68.7	209.3	16,321.0
Feb	2,141.7	1,812.8	471.9	577.6	6,340.6	3,667.5	342.4	423.7	63.6	199.9	16,041.7	2,175.9	1,835.3	482.2	586.1	6,431.8	3,749.4	359.2	441.7	69.0	215.2	16,345.7
Mar	2,164.9	1,824.4	474.4	574.2	6,359.6	3,675.3	343.4	428.7	63.2	198.5	16,106.7	2,189.0	1,841.9	483.2	583.0	6,463.0	3,752.9	359.6	443.7	67.9	211.9	16,396.2
Apr	2,169.1	1,821.5	480.0	582.1	6,419.6	3,674.4	345.4	436.4	64.8	202.6	16,195.9	2,192.8	1,844.6	487.9	587.2	6,486.8	3,728.6	360.1	446.1	69.6	214.6	16,418.2
May	2,202.6	1,899.2	496.1	596.5	6,582.9	3,789.4	365.0	451.8	72.7	220.0	16,676.0	2,193.6	1,875.2	486.5	588.2	6,520.8	3,759.1	360.1	444.5	69.8	216.0	16,514.9
Jun	2,226.3	1,908.8	503.4	599.1	6,624.9	3,860.0	373.6	453.5	74.3	230.8	16,854.5	2,191.8	1,869.2	488.7	588.5	6,522.2	3,768.5	358.5	439.4	68.6	214.7	16,510.3
Jul	2,228.2	1,897.8	504.8	593.2	6,608.5	3,887.6	373.0	453.0	73.5	237.1	16,856.8	2,195.6	1,870.0	490.8	586.0	6,516.4	3,772.2	355.5	437.7	67.9	212.5	16,504.8
Aug	2,222.3	1,906.2	501.5	595.1	6,598.2	3,843.5	366.8	453.6	74.5	230.3	16,792.0	2,193.4	1,877.7	490.3	588.4	6,501.2	3,766.4	350.2	437.1	68.4	215.7	16,488.8
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Jan-Aug06	2,184.7	1,856.4	487.9	586.5	6,484.0	3,754.6	356.6	440.7	68.7	214.1	16,434.1	2,187.4	1,853.1	486.6	586.7	6,486.4	3,755.4	357.7	441.6	68.7	213.7	16,437.5
% Change	3.3	4.3	0.4	1.2	1.7	1.4	2.0	-0.6	0.8	0.0	2.0	3.3	4.1	0.2	1.3	1.7	1.4	2.1	-0.5	0.9	-0.2	2.0

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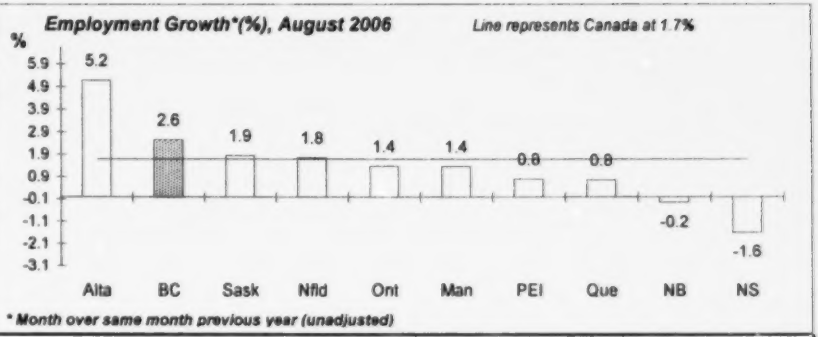
3b Employment Growth by Province (%)

Actual

	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
1996	1.7	2.9	-0.3	0.2	1.3	-0.2	-0.7	0.3	3.0	-3.5	0.9
1997	2.4	3.3	2.1	1.6	2.4	1.4	1.2	1.4	-0.2	0.4	2.1
1998	-0.1	4.0	0.9	1.6	3.1	2.7	2.0	3.5	1.4	2.2	2.5
1999	1.9	2.3	0.2	1.3	3.4	2.2	3.3	2.2	1.0	4.5	2.6
2000	1.9	2.6	0.4	2.0	3.2	2.2	1.8	1.8	4.2	-1.5	2.5
2001	-0.5	3.0	-2.8	0.4	1.9	1.1	-0.3	0.9	1.4	2.9	1.2
2002	2.3	2.4	1.7	2.3	1.8	3.8	3.9	1.9	1.7	1.7	2.4
2003	2.5	2.7	1.7	0.5	3.0	1.6	0.0	2.0	2.2	2.5	2.4
2004	2.4	2.4	0.8	1.1	1.7	1.4	2.0	2.6	1.2	0.9	1.8
2005	3.3	1.5	0.8	0.6	1.3	1.0	0.1	0.2	1.9	-0.1	1.4



*Month over same month previous year (unadjusted)

Seasonally Adjusted

	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
2005 Jan	2.5	1.8	2.2	0.9	0.5	1.9	1.0	2.2	4.0	0.6	1.3
Feb	3.7	1.6	2.5	1.7	0.7	1.5	0.9	1.3	4.3	-0.6	1.5
Mar	3.2	1.6	3.1	0.4	1.0	0.9	0.3	0.7	4.3	0.6	1.4
Apr	3.9	1.0	0.8	-0.1	1.2	0.1	1.6	1.0	3.9	-0.3	1.2
May	3.9	1.9	1.7	0.5	1.7	-0.6	2.1	1.3	2.5	-1.6	1.4
Jun	2.1	1.2	1.1	0.4	1.2	0.7	-0.8	-0.6	1.9	0.0	1.0
Jul	2.6	2.0	1.7	1.6	0.9	1.2	-0.4	-1.2	1.7	-1.1	1.2
Aug	3.5	1.3	0.6	0.7	1.4	1.6	-1.0	0.5	1.0	-1.9	1.5
Sep	2.7	0.7	-0.5	0.3	1.7	0.9	-1.6	-1.4	0.7	1.0	1.3
Oct	3.3	1.8	-1.2	0.1	1.8	1.1	-1.4	-0.1	0.3	1.0	1.6
Nov	4.5	1.7	-1.0	0.6	1.8	1.1	0.3	-0.6	-0.3	3.2	1.7
Dec	3.6	1.9	-1.3	0.5	1.4	1.7	0.9	-0.5	0.0	-2.1	1.6
2006 Jan	3.1	2.3	-0.5	1.1	1.9	1.1	3.0	-0.4	0.3	-2.7	1.7
Feb	3.5	3.7	-0.9	0.7	1.3	1.2	2.6	-0.4	0.5	1.4	1.7
Mar	4.1	3.9	-1.1	0.8	1.8	1.5	2.9	0.3	-0.8	-1.5	2.1
Apr	3.7	3.8	0.8	2.0	1.7	0.8	2.6	0.5	2.0	1.2	1.9
May	3.0	5.5	0.2	1.6	1.9	2.5	1.4	-0.6	3.0	2.5	2.5
Jun	3.1	5.2	1.1	1.6	1.8	1.7	2.6	-0.9	1.4	-0.8	2.2
Jul	3.1	4.6	1.5	0.7	1.9	1.3	1.3	-1.2	-0.5	-2.0	2.0
Aug	2.6	5.2	1.9	1.4	1.4	0.8	-0.2	-1.6	0.8	1.8	1.7
Sep											
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	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
2005 Jan	0.5	0.3	0.0	-0.1	-0.3	0.4	-0.7	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.1
Feb	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.5	0.3	0.0	0.3	-0.5	0.1	-0.9	0.1
Mar	0.1	0.2	0.3	-1.2	0.1	-0.2	-0.4	-0.1	-0.4	1.2	0.0
Apr	0.6	0.1	-0.8	0.1	0.5	0.0	0.5	0.5	-0.4	-1.6	0.3
May	0.7	0.3	0.2	0.6	0.4	-0.7	1.1	0.7	-0.4	-0.3	0.2
Jun	-0.3	-0.3	-0.3	0.0	0.0	1.0	-2.0	-1.0	-1.0	1.8	0.1
Jul	0.2	0.5	-0.1	0.4	-0.1	0.5	0.5	-0.2	1.3	0.3	0.2
Aug	0.4	-0.1	-0.5	-0.2	0.1	0.4	-0.2	0.5	-0.6	-2.1	0.1
Sep	-0.2	-0.2	-0.7	-0.2	0.3	-0.2	-0.4	-1.1	0.6	1.1	0.0
Oct	0.8	0.6	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.4	-0.1	1.0	0.1	0.0	0.4
Nov	0.9	0.2	0.5	0.7	0.0	0.1	1.3	-0.2	0.7	1.4	0.2
Dec	-0.1	0.2	-0.3	-0.1	-0.2	0.3	1.0	-0.2	-0.1	-2.9	-0.1
2006 Jan	0.0	0.6	0.7	0.5	0.2	-0.2	1.0	0.3	0.1	-0.8	0.2
Feb	0.4	1.4	-0.1	0.0	-0.3	0.1	0.1	-0.2	0.4	2.8	0.2
Mar	0.6	0.4	0.2	-0.5	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.5	-1.6	-1.5	0.3
Apr	0.2	0.1	1.0	0.7	0.4	-0.6	0.1	0.5	2.5	1.3	0.1
May	0.0	1.7	-0.3	0.2	0.5	0.8	0.0	-0.4	0.3	0.7	0.6
Jun	-0.1	-0.4	0.5	0.1	0.0	0.3	-0.4	-1.1	-1.7	-0.6	0.0
Jul	0.2	0.0	0.4	-0.4	-0.1	0.1	-0.8	-0.4	-1.0	-1.0	0.0
Aug	-0.1	0.4	-0.1	0.4	-0.2	-0.2	-1.5	-0.1	0.7	1.5	-0.1

Note: growth rates for "actual" data are calculated as month over same month previous year. For seasonally adjusted data, growth rates are calculated as month over previous month.

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Source: Statistics Canada

4a Provincial Unemployment Rates (%)

Actual

	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
1996	8.7	6.9	6.7	7.3	9.0	11.9	11.6	12.4	14.7	19.1	9.6
1997	8.4	5.9	6.0	6.5	8.4	11.4	12.7	12.2	15.4	18.4	9.1
1998	8.8	5.6	5.8	5.6	7.2	10.3	12.2	10.5	13.9	17.9	8.3
1999	8.3	5.7	6.1	5.6	6.3	9.3	10.2	9.6	14.3	16.9	7.6
2000	7.1	5.0	5.1	5.0	5.8	8.5	10.0	9.1	12.1	16.7	6.8
2001	7.7	4.6	5.8	5.1	6.3	8.8	11.1	9.7	11.9	16.1	7.2
2002	8.5	5.3	5.7	5.1	7.1	8.6	10.2	9.6	12.0	16.7	7.7
2003	8.0	5.1	5.6	5.0	6.9	9.1	10.3	9.1	11.0	16.5	7.6
2004	7.2	4.6	5.3	5.3	6.8	8.5	9.8	8.8	11.3	15.7	7.2
2005	5.9	3.9	5.1	4.8	6.6	8.3	9.7	8.4	10.8	15.2	6.8
2005 Jan	7.2	4.8	5.6	5.6	6.7	9.5	11.2	9.9	14.1	16.5	7.5
Feb	7.6	4.2	5.5	5.4	7.0	9.0	10.6	10.7	13.0	17.2	7.5
Mar	6.7	3.5	5.5	5.5	7.3	8.9	10.6	9.8	13.0	16.9	7.4
Apr	6.2	4.2	5.5	5.1	6.6	8.5	11.2	9.2	15.0	18.8	7.0
May	6.0	3.6	4.3	4.7	7.2	8.5	9.6	7.8	9.5	16.7	7.0
Jun	5.5	3.4	4.2	4.3	6.6	7.4	9.0	7.7	7.8	12.5	6.3
Jul	6.3	3.7	4.9	4.7	7.3	7.9	9.3	7.7	9.1	12.1	6.9
Aug	6.3	4.2	5.7	5.4	7.4	8.3	9.2	7.0	8.7	15.2	7.1
Sep	5.1	3.7	5.5	4.4	6.1	7.6	8.5	7.8	8.3	13.2	6.2
Oct	4.6	3.8	4.7	4.1	5.9	7.7	9.7	7.7	9.1	13.9	6.1
Nov	4.5	4.0	4.8	3.8	5.5	7.9	8.6	8.1	10.6	14.7	6.0
Dec	4.4	4.0	4.9	4.2	5.6	8.3	9.1	8.0	12.1	15.8	6.1
2006 Jan	5.8	4.0	5.9	4.8	6.6	9.6	9.8	9.0	14.3	18.8	7.2
Feb	5.2	3.2	5.8	4.7	6.3	8.9	10.6	9.5	14.0	16.7	6.7
Mar	4.5	3.3	5.6	4.5	6.5	9.0	10.2	9.0	15.4	17.4	6.7
Apr	4.6	3.6	5.2	4.9	6.1	8.7	10.7	8.8	14.6	18.9	6.6
May	4.9	3.4	4.4	3.6	6.1	7.6	9.0	8.0	8.8	15.9	6.1
Jun	3.9	3.2	4.1	3.0	5.8	7.2	7.1	7.4	7.0	13.1	5.6
Jul	5.1	3.8	4.6	4.8	7.2	7.8	8.6	7.9	9.4	11.9	6.7
Aug	5.4	4.5	5.8	5.3	7.1	7.8	8.8	7.8	8.4	13.8	6.8
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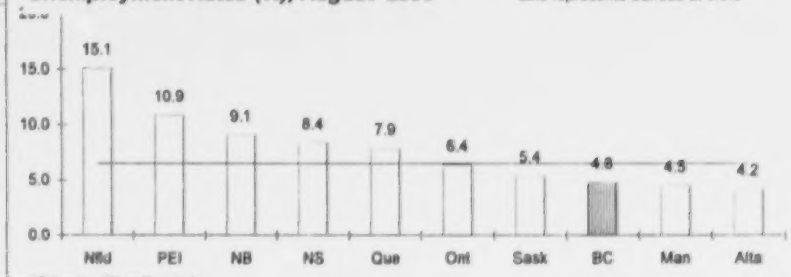
Average:											
Jan-Aug05	6.5	4.0	5.2	5.1	7.0	8.5	10.1	8.7	11.3	15.7	7.1
Jan-Aug06	4.9	3.6	5.2	4.5	6.5	8.3	9.4	8.4	11.5	15.8	6.6

Unemployment Rates(%), August 2006* — *Line represents Canada at 6.5%*



**Seasonally adjusted*

Seasonally Adjusted

	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
2005 Jan	6.5	4.3	4.8	5.1	6.7	8.5	9.8	8.6	10.5	14.6	7.0
Feb	7.0	4.0	4.9	4.9	6.8	8.2	9.3	9.8	10.3	15.4	7.0
Mar	6.5	3.6	5.1	5.2	6.8	8.3	9.5	8.4	10.3	15.0	6.9
Apr	6.1	4.1	5.0	4.9	6.7	8.0	9.3	8.4	10.6	16.1	6.8
May	5.9	3.6	4.6	5.1	6.8	8.6	8.9	7.8	10.8	15.3	6.9
Jun	5.8	3.9	4.9	4.8	6.7	8.1	9.9	8.8	11.9	14.0	6.8
Jul	6.1	3.6	4.8	4.7	6.7	8.3	9.8	8.0	11.1	14.5	6.8
Aug	5.7	3.9	5.3	4.6	6.7	8.3	9.7	7.5	11.3	16.6	6.8
Sep	5.6	4.1	6.0	4.8	6.3	8.3	10.6	8.6	11.4	15.5	6.7
Oct	5.1	4.0	5.2	4.5	6.4	8.3	10.9	8.6	11.2	15.2	6.6
Nov	4.9	4.2	5.2	4.1	6.1	8.0	9.4	8.3	10.7	14.8	6.4
Dec	5.1	4.2	5.3	4.2	6.2	8.2	9.6	8.5	11.1	15.4	6.5
2006 Jan	5.1	3.5	5.2	4.3	6.5	8.4	8.9	7.8	10.8	16.5	6.6
Feb	4.8	3.1	5.3	4.4	6.2	8.2	9.4	8.4	10.9	15.1	6.4
Mar	4.4	3.4	5.3	4.2	6.1	8.5	9.2	7.8	12.0	15.7	6.3
Apr	4.5	3.5	4.8	4.7	6.2	8.3	9.1	8.1	10.5	15.9	6.4
May	4.7	3.4	4.9	4.2	5.9	7.9	8.6	8.0	10.1	14.8	6.1
Jun	4.3	3.5	4.9	3.6	5.9	8.0	8.0	8.2	10.5	14.8	6.1
Jul	4.7	3.6	4.7	4.7	6.5	8.1	8.9	8.3	11.2	14.6	6.4
Aug	4.8	4.2	5.4	4.5	6.4	7.9	9.1	8.4	10.9	15.1	6.5
Sep											
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Average:											
Jan-Aug05	6.2	3.9	4.9	4.9	6.7	8.3	9.5	8.4	10.9	15.2	6.9
Jan-Aug06	4.7	3.5	5.1	4.3	6.2	8.2	8.9	8.1	10.9	15.3	6.4

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Source: Statistics Canada

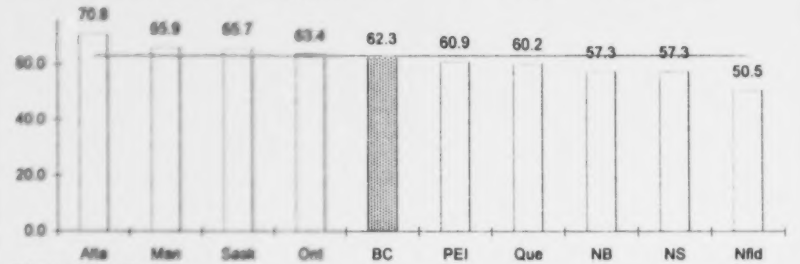
4b Provincial Employment Rates (%)

Actual

	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
1996	60.0	67.3	61.0	61.6	59.7	54.6	51.6	52.0	56.4	42.3	58.4
1997	60.0	67.8	62.2	62.3	60.2	55.0	52.1	52.5	55.9	42.9	58.9
1998	59.2	68.5	62.7	63.2	61.2	56.1	53.1	54.1	56.4	44.4	59.7
1999	59.7	68.5	62.8	63.7	62.3	56.9	54.6	55.0	56.6	46.6	60.6
2000	60.2	68.6	63.3	64.5	63.2	57.8	55.4	55.7	58.7	46.1	61.3
2001	59.0	69.0	61.8	64.4	63.0	57.9	55.0	55.9	59.0	47.7	61.1
2002	59.6	69.1	63.1	65.5	62.9	59.5	57.0	56.6	59.5	48.5	61.7
2003	60.3	69.8	64.0	65.3	63.8	60.0	56.7	57.3	60.2	49.5	62.4
2004	60.9	70.1	64.3	65.4	63.8	60.2	57.6	58.4	60.3	49.8	62.7
2005	61.8	69.8	64.6	65.3	63.5	60.1	57.4	58.2	61.1	49.8	62.7

Employment Rates*(%), August 2006

Line represents Canada at 62.9%



*Seasonally adjusted

Seasonally Adjusted

	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
2005 Jan	60.2	68.8	63.3	64.1	62.3	58.5	54.7	56.2	58.5	46.3	61.2
Feb	60.5	69.0	63.7	64.7	62.6	58.9	54.8	56.0	56.9	45.8	61.5
Mar	60.7	69.2	64.1	64.2	62.4	58.8	54.7	56.3	57.2	46.8	61.4
Apr	60.9	69.0	63.6	64.3	63.0	59.1	55.2	57.1	57.0	46.5	61.8
May	62.2	70.7	66.1	66.1	64.3	59.9	59.0	59.8	63.3	49.9	63.2
Jun	62.7	71.1	66.5	66.3	64.6	61.4	59.7	60.2	65.7	54.2	63.9
Jul	62.7	71.0	66.4	66.2	64.4	62.1	60.3	60.3	66.2	56.4	64.0
Aug	62.7	70.7	65.7	66.0	64.4	61.6	60.2	60.5	66.2	52.7	63.8
Sep	61.9	69.6	64.1	65.4	63.5	60.7	58.4	58.2	63.5	51.6	62.8
Oct	62.3	69.6	64.1	65.5	63.9	60.6	57.4	58.7	62.3	50.3	63.0
Nov	62.4	69.6	64.0	65.5	63.7	60.1	57.5	57.9	60.1	49.8	62.8
Dec	62.3	69.5	63.4	65.4	63.3	59.8	57.2	57.7	58.8	47.4	62.4
2006 Jan	60.9	68.6	63.0	64.5	62.3	58.5	56.1	55.8	56.3	45.2	61.3
Feb	61.4	69.6	63.1	64.9	62.3	58.9	56.0	55.6	56.8	46.6	61.6
Mar	62.0	69.9	63.5	64.5	62.4	59.0	56.2	56.2	56.4	46.3	61.8
Apr	62.0	69.6	64.3	65.3	63.0	58.9	56.5	57.2	57.9	47.3	62.1
May	62.9	72.3	66.5	66.9	64.5	60.7	59.7	59.3	64.9	51.4	63.8
Jun	63.4	72.4	67.5	67.1	64.8	61.8	61.1	59.5	66.2	54.0	64.4
Jul	63.4	71.9	67.7	66.5	64.6	62.2	61.0	59.4	65.4	55.5	64.3
Aug	63.1	71.9	67.2	66.6	64.4	61.4	60.0	59.4	66.3	53.9	64.0
Sep											
Oct											
Nov											
Dec											
Average:											
Jan-Aug05	61.6	69.9	64.9	65.2	63.5	60.0	57.3	58.3	61.1	49.8	62.6
Jan-Aug06	62.4	70.8	65.4	65.8	63.5	60.2	58.3	57.8	61.3	50.0	62.9

2005 Jan	61.5	70.0	65.1	65.5	63.4	60.3	57.4	58.6	61.8	50.1	62.6
Feb	61.4	70.0	65.2	65.8	63.4	60.2	57.6	58.3	61.8	49.6	62.6
Mar	61.4	70.0	65.3	64.9	63.4	60.0	57.4	58.2	61.5	50.2	62.6
Apr	61.7	70.0	64.8	64.9	63.6	59.9	57.6	58.5	61.2	49.4	62.6
May	61.9	70.0	64.9	65.3	63.8	59.4	58.2	58.9	60.9	49.3	62.7
Jun	61.7	69.7	64.7	65.2	63.7	60.0	57.0	58.3	60.3	50.2	62.6
Jul	61.7	69.9	64.7	65.4	63.5	60.2	57.3	58.1	61.0	50.4	62.7
Aug	61.8	69.7	64.3	65.2	63.4	60.4	57.2	58.3	60.6	49.3	62.7
Sep	61.6	69.5	63.9	65.1	63.5	60.2	56.9	57.6	61.0	49.9	62.6
Oct	62.0	69.7	63.9	65.2	63.7	60.3	56.8	58.2	61.0	49.9	62.7
Nov	62.4	69.6	64.3	65.6	63.6	60.3	57.6	58.1	61.4	50.6	62.8
Dec	62.3	69.6	64.1	65.6	63.4	60.4	58.1	57.9	61.3	49.1	62.7
2006 Jan	62.2	69.7	64.6	65.9	63.4	60.2	58.7	58.1	61.4	48.8	62.7
Feb	62.4	70.5	64.5	65.8	63.2	60.2	58.8	57.9	61.6	50.2	62.8
Mar	62.7	70.6	64.7	65.5	63.5	60.2	58.8	58.2	60.6	49.4	62.9
Apr	62.7	70.5	65.3	65.9	63.6	59.8	58.9	58.5	62.1	50.1	62.9
May	62.6	71.4	65.2	66.0	63.9	60.2	58.9	58.3	62.3	50.5	63.2
Jun	62.5	70.9	65.5	66.0	63.8	60.3	58.6	57.6	61.1	50.2	63.1
Jul	62.5	70.8	65.8	65.7	63.7	60.3	58.1	57.4	60.4	49.7	63.0
Aug	62.3	70.8	65.7	65.9	63.4	60.2	57.3	57.3	60.9	50.5	62.9
Sep											
Oct											
Nov											
Dec											
Average:											
Jan-Aug05	61.6	69.9	64.9	65.3	63.5	60.1	57.5	58.4	61.1	49.8	62.6
Jan-Aug06	62.5	70.7	65.2	65.8	63.6	60.2	58.5	57.9	61.3	49.9	62.9

5a BC Employment and Unemployment by Age and Gender, Actual

	Men								Women								Total							
	Employed ('000)				Unemployed ('000)				Employed ('000)				Unemployed ('000)				Employed ('000)				Unemployed ('000)			
	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages
1996	139.4	533.8	306.8	996.1	26.0	48.8	20.7	96.4	131.6	450.7	231.1	820.3	18.9	40.3	16.0	75.6	271.0	984.5	537.9	1,816.4	44.9	89.1	36.7	172.0
1997	137.5	536.4	318.4	1,007.4	27.8	47.1	20.3	96.0	133.0	461.9	249.3	853.0	20.7	36.1	16.9	74.1	270.6	998.3	567.6	1,860.5	48.6	83.1	37.2	170.1
1998	132.1	525.8	316.7	994.0	31.5	50.8	24.2	107.4	126.6	460.5	266.9	864.4	23.1	35.2	13.9	72.5	258.8	986.3	583.6	1,858.4	54.6	86.0	38.2	179.9
1999	138.2	521.0	333.8	1,011.5	26.5	48.5	22.8	98.8	134.8	461.3	278.2	882.9	19.1	35.9	16.4	71.6	273.0	982.3	611.9	1,894.4	45.6	84.4	39.2	170.4
2000	141.0	522.6	350.4	1,031.3	25.7	37.1	20.6	83.8	138.2	458.2	295.8	900.0	18.5	31.2	15.0	64.8	279.2	980.8	646.2	1,931.3	44.2	68.3	35.6	148.6
2001	140.9	509.8	354.1	1,020.1	27.1	44.5	23.0	95.6	138.2	452.8	301.3	901.4	18.0	32.1	14.9	65.5	279.1	962.5	655.4	1,921.6	45.1	76.6	37.9	161.1
2002	147.8	503.2	365.8	1,037.7	30.2	45.8	26.9	104.1	145.8	452.5	318.1	927.3	22.0	37.4	18.4	78.5	293.6	955.8	683.9	1,965.0	52.2	83.2	45.3	182.6
2003	149.3	502.2	389.7	1,065.8	28.5	39.2	27.0	95.5	149.7	454.6	333.3	948.9	21.8	36.4	21.6	80.5	299.0	956.8	723.0	2,014.7	50.3	75.6	48.5	176.0
2004	153.8	508.2	403.8	1,091.2	25.9	34.4	24.1	85.4	154.0	463.7	342.6	971.5	21.9	30.5	20.8	73.7	307.8	971.9	746.4	2,062.7	47.8	64.9	44.8	159.2
2005	166.5	513.1	424.4	1,130.5	20.3	27.1	21.4	69.8	165.7	457.3	360.8	1,000.0	17.1	26.0	19.5	63.1	332.1	970.4	785.3	2,130.5	37.4	53.1	40.9	132.9
2005 Jan	140.8	506.2	412.8	1,088.3	27.6	37.3	21.2	87.3	153.0	449.5	356.8	969.7	17.5	32.5	21.2	71.4	293.8	955.7	769.6	2,058.0	45.1	69.8	42.4	158.8
Feb	147.6	507.1	412.4	1,092.1	26.4	38.7	27.3	93.1	155.4	443.2	363.4	977.7	19.3	32.8	25.6	78.3	303.0	950.3	775.8	2,069.8	45.7	71.5	52.9	171.4
Mar	146.0	512.2	414.2	1,097.1	23.6	34.5	23.4	82.6	155.9	445.0	367.2	983.5	16.2	31.5	18.7	66.4	301.9	957.2	781.4	2,080.6	39.8	66.0	42.1	149.0
Apr	148.6	508.8	418.4	1,104.2	22.2	27.7	24.6	75.6	151.6	449.3	371.3	988.2	16.3	28.7	18.0	63.1	300.2	958.1	789.7	2,092.4	38.5	56.5	42.6	138.7
May	169.0	516.6	423.7	1,138.7	19.5	26.0	20.9	67.2	165.6	456.2	359.6	999.7	25.8	24.9	18.8	69.4	334.6	972.8	783.2	2,138.3	45.3	50.9	39.7	136.6
Jun	175.2	520.4	424.7	1,150.1	20.9	22.8	20.2	64.7	173.8	458.0	360.8	1,009.1	18.5	26.8	15.4	60.7	349.0	978.4	785.5	2,159.2	39.4	49.6	35.6	125.5
Jul	190.0	516.5	422.2	1,157.6	27.2	23.5	24.3	75.8	180.0	457.3	348.0	1,003.8	24.2	24.9	20.4	69.9	370.0	973.7	770.2	2,161.4	51.4	48.4	44.7	145.7
Aug	184.9	517.8	423.9	1,153.6	22.3	25.8	23.0	71.2	181.8	457.9	353.7	1,013.2	19.0	29.0	26.6	75.1	366.7	975.7	777.6	2,166.7	41.3	54.8	49.7	146.4
Sep	171.3	511.2	434.1	1,141.3	16.2	21.1	20.7	58.3	158.9	460.9	363.4	1,001.4	14.7	22.4	20.5	58.1	330.2	972.1	797.5	2,142.7	30.9	43.5	41.3	116.3
Oct	175.0	508.3	439.5	1,147.8	15.5	22.5	16.8	55.9	168.5	467.5	360.6	1,013.1	12.8	19.2	15.0	48.1	343.4	975.7	800.1	2,160.9	28.3	41.7	31.8	104.0
Nov	173.7	513.8	437.3	1,148.9	10.7	21.6	16.8	51.8	171.5	466.6	365.9	1,019.1	9.7	23.8	17.0	51.4	345.2	980.5	803.2	2,168.0	20.4	45.5	33.8	103.2
Dec	175.8	518.6	429.9	1,146.7	11.6	23.3	17.9	54.2	171.8	476.3	359.4	1,021.9	11.0	15.8	16.8	44.9	347.6	994.9	789.3	2,168.6	22.6	39.1	34.7	99.0
2006 Jan	160.3	506.2	423.3	1,113.1	17.1	30.2	19.0	68.5	165.5	467.7	361.1	1,009.4	12.2	27.1	21.2	61.5	325.8	973.9	784.5	2,122.5	29.4	57.2	40.1	130.0
Feb	166.0	510.4	427.7	1,130.3	16.9	23.7	20.4	63.5	169.8	460.2	364.5	1,011.4	11.9	26.1	16.4	55.0	335.9	970.6	792.1	2,141.7	28.8	49.9	36.8	118.5
Mar	168.8	513.4	432.6	1,143.4	14.8	22.0	15.0	53.4	169.8	461.1	372.0	1,021.5	11.3	23.4	14.0	49.5	338.6	974.5	804.5	2,164.9	26.1	45.4	29.0	102.9
Apr	170.3	512.1	432.4	1,142.2	12.1	21.3	13.7	47.8	168.8	469.7	372.8	1,026.9	17.0	23.1	15.3	56.2	339.1	981.7	805.2	2,169.1	29.1	44.4	29.0	104.0
May	176.1	522.0	434.2	1,162.0	20.4	22.5	14.9	58.7	178.2	472.4	373.9	1,040.6	16.7	23.2	14.0	54.4	354.3	994.4	808.1	2,202.6	37.1	45.7	28.9	113.1
Jun	176.5	526.0	443.1	1,173.4	17.4	16.0	13.6	47.9	189.6	468.6	378.2	1,052.9	11.3	17.7	13.4	42.9	366.1	994.5	821.3	2,226.3	28.7	33.7	27.0	90.9
Jul	191.1	523.5	442.8	1,185.8	26.6	16.8	17.0	61.0	191.3	464.1	373.4	1,042.4	19.7	21.9	15.6	58.3	382.4	987.5	816.2	2,228.2	46.4	38.8	32.7	119.3
Aug	189.7	527.1	442.0	1,187.0	18.1	22.2	17.7	59.7	190.3	461.4	371.3	1,035.3	16.4	25.5	23.4	67.5	380.0	988.4	813.3	2,222.3	34.5	47.7	41.1	127.2
Sep																								
Oct																								
Nov																								
Dec																								
Average:																								
Jan-Aug05	162.8	513.2	419.0	1,122.7	23.7	29.5	23.1	77.2	164.6	452.1	360.1	993.1	19.6	28.9	20.6	69.3	327.4	965.2	779.1	2,115.8	43.3	58.4	43.7	146.5
Jan-Aug06	174.9	517.6	434.8	1,154.7	17.9	21.8	16.4	57.6	177.9	465.7	370.9	1,030.1	14.6	23.5	16.7	55.7	352.8	983.2	805.7	2,184.7	32.5	45.4	33.1	113.2
% Change	7.4	0.9	3.8	2.8	-24.4	-26.1	-29.0	-25.4	8.1	3.0	3.0	3.7	-25.7	-18.6	-19.1	-19.7	7.8	1.9	3.4	3.3	-24.9	-22.4	-24.3	-22.7

NOTE: due to relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

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5b BC Participation Rates and Unemployment Rates by Age and Gender, Actual

	Men								Women								Total							
	Participation Rate (%)				Unemployment Rate (%)				Participation Rate (%)				Unemployment Rate (%)				Participation Rate (%)				Unemployment Rate (%)			
	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages
1996	65.3	92.3	79.5	72.9	15.7	8.4	6.3	8.8	62.2	78.3	60.4	58.5	12.6	8.2	6.5	8.4	63.8	85.3	70.0	65.6	14.2	8.3	6.4	8.7
1997	63.7	91.9	79.2	72.1	16.8	8.1	6.0	8.7	61.6	78.3	62.5	59.1	13.5	7.2	6.3	8.0	62.6	85.1	70.8	65.5	15.2	7.7	6.1	8.4
1998	62.3	91.5	76.9	71.1	19.3	8.8	7.1	9.8	59.5	78.1	63.5	58.9	15.4	7.1	5.0	7.7	60.9	84.8	70.2	64.9	17.4	8.0	6.1	8.8
1999	62.0	91.4	77.8	71.0	16.1	8.5	6.4	8.9	60.5	78.9	64.2	59.3	12.4	7.2	5.6	7.5	61.3	85.1	71.0	65.1	14.3	7.9	6.0	8.3
2000	61.9	90.8	78.3	70.5	15.4	6.6	5.6	7.5	60.9	78.2	65.3	59.3	11.8	6.4	4.8	6.7	61.4	84.4	71.8	64.8	13.7	6.5	5.2	7.1
2001	61.2	90.6	77.1	69.5	16.1	8.0	6.1	8.6	59.7	77.9	64.0	58.6	11.5	6.6	4.7	6.8	60.5	84.2	70.5	64.0	13.9	7.4	5.5	7.7
2002	63.8	90.6	77.6	70.3	17.0	8.3	6.9	9.1	62.9	79.4	65.6	60.1	13.1	7.6	5.5	7.8	63.4	84.9	71.5	65.1	15.1	8.0	6.2	8.5
2003	63.0	90.4	79.6	70.7	16.0	7.2	6.5	8.2	63.2	80.5	66.7	60.7	12.7	7.4	6.1	7.8	63.1	85.4	73.1	65.6	14.4	7.3	6.3	8.0
2004	62.8	91.2	79.1	70.6	14.4	6.3	5.6	7.3	63.9	81.5	65.9	60.7	12.5	6.2	5.7	7.1	63.3	86.3	72.4	65.5	13.4	6.3	5.7	7.2
2005	64.2	90.9	79.9	70.8	10.9	5.0	4.8	5.8	65.5	79.7	66.6	60.7	9.4	5.4	5.1	5.9	64.8	85.3	73.2	65.6	10.1	5.2	5.0	5.9
2005 Jan	58.4	91.6	78.9	69.9	16.4	6.9	4.9	7.4	61.5	79.6	67.2	59.9	10.3	6.7	5.6	6.9	59.9	85.6	73.0	64.9	13.3	6.8	5.2	7.2
Feb	60.2	92.0	79.7	70.4	15.2	7.1	6.2	7.9	63.0	78.7	69.0	60.7	11.0	6.9	6.6	7.4	61.5	85.3	74.3	65.5	13.1	7.0	6.4	7.6
Mar	58.6	92.1	79.1	70.0	13.9	6.3	5.3	7.0	61.9	78.7	68.2	60.2	9.4	6.6	4.8	6.3	60.2	85.3	73.6	65.0	11.6	6.5	5.1	6.7
Apr	58.9	90.4	79.9	69.9	13.0	5.2	5.6	6.4	60.4	78.9	68.7	60.2	9.7	6.0	4.6	6.0	59.6	84.6	74.2	65.0	11.4	5.6	5.1	6.2
May	65.0	91.4	79.9	71.3	10.3	4.8	4.7	5.6	68.8	79.4	66.5	61.2	13.5	5.2	5.0	6.5	66.8	85.3	73.2	66.1	11.9	5.0	4.8	6.0
Jun	67.5	91.5	79.8	71.7	10.7	4.2	4.5	5.3	69.0	80.0	66.0	61.1	9.6	5.5	4.1	5.7	68.2	85.7	72.8	66.3	10.1	4.8	4.3	5.5
Jul	74.6	90.9	79.9	72.7	12.5	4.4	5.4	6.1	73.2	79.5	64.4	61.3	11.8	5.2	5.5	6.5	73.9	85.1	72.1	66.9	12.2	4.7	5.5	6.3
Aug	71.0	91.5	79.7	72.1	10.8	4.7	5.1	5.8	71.8	80.3	66.3	62.0	9.5	6.0	7.0	6.9	71.4	85.8	72.9	66.9	10.1	5.3	6.0	6.3
Sep	64.1	89.6	80.9	70.4	8.6	4.0	4.6	4.9	62.0	79.7	66.8	60.2	8.5	4.6	5.3	5.5	63.1	84.6	73.7	65.2	8.6	4.3	4.9	5.1
Oct	65.0	89.3	81.0	70.6	8.1	4.2	3.7	4.6	64.6	80.2	65.1	60.2	7.1	3.9	4.0	4.5	64.8	84.7	73.0	65.3	7.6	4.1	3.8	4.6
Nov	62.9	90.0	80.4	70.3	5.8	4.0	3.7	4.3	64.5	80.8	66.2	60.7	5.4	4.9	4.4	4.8	63.7	85.3	73.2	65.4	5.6	4.4	4.0	4.5
Dec	63.8	91.0	79.1	70.2	6.2	4.3	4.0	4.5	65.1	81.0	64.9	60.4	6.0	3.2	4.5	4.2	64.4	86.0	71.9	65.2	6.1	3.8	4.2	4.4
2006 Jan	60.4	90.1	77.8	68.9	9.6	5.6	4.3	5.8	63.2	81.5	65.7	60.5	6.9	5.5	5.5	5.7	61.8	85.7	71.7	64.7	8.3	5.5	4.9	5.8
Feb	62.3	89.7	78.7	69.6	9.2	4.4	4.6	5.3	64.6	80.1	65.3	60.2	6.5	5.4	4.3	5.2	63.4	84.8	71.9	64.8	7.9	4.9	4.4	5.2
Mar	62.5	89.8	78.4	69.6	8.1	4.1	3.4	4.5	64.4	79.8	66.1	60.4	6.2	4.8	3.6	4.6	63.4	84.7	72.2	64.9	7.2	4.5	3.5	4.5
Apr	62.1	89.4	77.9	69.1	6.6	4.0	3.1	4.0	66.0	81.0	66.3	61.0	9.1	4.7	3.9	5.2	64.0	85.2	72.0	65.0	7.9	4.3	3.5	4.6
May	66.8	91.2	78.2	70.8	10.4	4.1	3.3	4.8	69.2	81.5	66.0	61.5	8.6	4.7	3.6	5.0	68.0	86.3	72.1	66.1	9.5	4.4	3.5	4.9
Jun	65.9	90.7	79.4	70.7	9.0	3.0	3.0	3.9	71.3	79.9	66.5	61.5	5.6	3.6	3.4	3.9	68.5	85.2	72.9	66.0	7.3	3.3	3.2	3.9
Jul	73.9	90.4	79.7	72.1	12.2	3.1	3.7	4.9	74.8	79.8	65.9	61.7	9.3	4.5	4.0	5.3	74.4	85.1	72.7	66.8	10.8	3.8	3.9	5.1
Aug	70.5	91.9	79.4	72.0	8.7	4.0	3.9	4.8	73.3	80.0	66.7	61.7	7.9	5.2	5.9	6.1	71.9	85.9	73.0	66.8	8.3	4.6	4.8	5.4
Sep																								
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Average:																								
Jan-Aug05	64.3	91.4	79.6	71.0	12.9	5.5	5.2	6.4	66.2	79.4	67.0	60.8	10.6	6.0	5.4	6.5	65.2	85.3	73.3	65.8	11.7	5.7	5.3	6.5
Jan-Aug06	65.6	90.4	78.7	70.4	9.2	4.0	3.7	4.8	68.4	80.5	66.1	61.1	7.5	4.8	4.3	5.1	66.9	85.4	72.3	65.6	8.4	4.4	4.0	4.9

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5c BC Employment and Unemployment by Age and Gender, Seasonally Adjusted

	Men						Women						Total					
	Employed ('000)			Unemployed ('000)			Employed ('000)			Unemployed ('000)			Employed ('000)			Unemployed ('000)		
	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages
1996	139.4	856.8	996.1	26.0	70.4	96.4	131.6	688.7	820.3	18.9	56.7	75.6	271.0	1,545.4	1,816.4	44.9	127.1	172.0
1997	137.5	869.9	1,007.4	27.8	68.2	96.0	133.0	720.0	853.0	20.7	53.3	74.1	270.6	1,589.9	1,860.5	48.6	121.5	170.1
1998	132.1	861.9	994.0	31.5	76.0	107.4	126.6	737.8	864.4	23.1	49.4	72.5	258.8	1,599.6	1,858.4	54.6	125.3	179.9
1999	138.2	873.3	1,011.5	26.5	72.3	98.8	134.8	748.1	882.9	19.1	52.5	71.6	273.0	1,621.4	1,894.4	45.6	124.9	170.4
2000	141.0	890.3	1,031.3	25.7	58.1	83.8	138.2	761.7	900.0	18.5	46.3	64.8	279.2	1,652.1	1,931.3	44.2	104.4	148.6
2001	140.9	879.2	1,020.1	27.1	68.5	95.6	138.2	763.3	901.4	18.0	47.5	65.5	279.1	1,642.5	1,921.6	45.1	116.0	161.1
2002	147.8	889.9	1,037.7	30.2	74.0	104.1	145.8	781.5	927.3	22.0	56.5	78.5	293.6	1,671.4	1,965.0	52.2	130.4	182.6
2003	149.3	916.5	1,065.8	28.5	67.1	95.5	149.7	799.2	948.9	21.8	58.7	80.5	299.0	1,715.7	2,014.7	50.3	125.7	176.0
2004	153.8	937.4	1,091.2	25.9	59.5	85.4	154.0	817.5	971.5	21.9	51.8	73.7	307.8	1,754.9	2,062.7	47.8	111.3	159.2
2005	166.5	964.0	1,130.5	20.3	49.5	69.8	165.7	834.4	1,000.0	17.1	46.0	63.1	332.1	1,798.4	2,130.5	37.4	95.5	132.9
2005 Jan	152.7	965.3	1,118.1	25.6	52.7	78.4	159.7	824.6	984.3	17.1	51.1	68.2	312.4	1,790.0	2,102.4	42.7	103.8	146.5
Feb	157.7	957.2	1,114.9	24.8	57.4	82.2	161.0	827.2	988.2	20.8	55.6	76.4	318.7	1,784.4	2,103.1	45.6	113.0	158.5
Mar	154.5	960.9	1,115.4	23.8	53.1	76.9	162.3	826.8	989.1	18.9	50.6	69.5	316.8	1,787.7	2,104.5	42.7	103.7	146.4
Apr	156.3	965.4	1,121.7	23.7	48.4	72.1	159.4	835.8	995.3	16.8	48.3	65.1	315.7	1,801.2	2,116.9	40.5	96.6	137.1
May	167.2	966.2	1,133.4	17.8	47.3	65.1	161.9	835.4	997.3	23.5	44.4	67.9	329.1	1,801.6	2,130.7	41.3	91.7	133.0
Jun	165.8	963.6	1,129.3	21.9	45.9	67.7	167.9	826.6	994.5	18.1	45.8	63.9	333.7	1,790.2	2,123.8	39.9	91.7	131.6
Jul	169.8	958.8	1,128.6	21.5	52.8	74.3	167.1	833.1	1,000.2	18.0	45.7	63.7	336.9	1,791.9	2,128.8	39.5	98.5	138.0
Aug	167.3	959.7	1,127.0	20.1	48.2	68.3	169.3	840.6	1,010.0	15.4	46.0	61.4	336.6	1,800.3	2,137.0	35.5	94.2	129.7
Sep	174.8	957.4	1,132.2	17.2	50.8	68.0	163.9	836.3	1,000.1	14.4	44.7	59.2	338.7	1,793.7	2,132.4	31.6	95.6	127.2
Oct	176.4	963.4	1,139.8	17.7	48.3	66.0	171.5	837.4	1,008.9	13.4	36.3	49.7	348.0	1,800.7	2,148.7	31.1	84.6	115.7
Nov	176.4	974.0	1,150.4	12.8	44.1	57.0	172.5	846.1	1,018.6	12.1	42.3	54.4	348.9	1,820.1	2,169.0	24.9	86.4	111.4
Dec	177.3	976.7	1,154.0	14.2	44.7	59.0	170.6	842.5	1,013.1	16.3	40.6	56.8	347.9	1,819.1	2,167.1	30.5	85.3	115.8
2006 Jan	173.8	971.4	1,145.2	15.8	44.1	59.9	172.0	849.7	1,021.7	12.8	45.0	57.7	345.8	1,821.1	2,166.9	28.5	89.1	117.6
Feb	176.5	978.0	1,154.5	15.5	39.1	54.6	174.7	846.7	1,021.5	13.2	41.3	54.6	351.3	1,824.7	2,175.9	28.7	80.4	109.2
Mar	178.5	983.8	1,162.3	15.0	34.1	49.1	175.6	851.1	1,026.7	13.9	38.8	52.7	354.1	1,834.9	2,189.0	28.9	72.9	101.8
Apr	179.6	981.3	1,161.0	13.3	32.6	45.9	176.9	854.9	1,031.9	16.6	40.4	57.0	356.6	1,836.3	2,192.8	29.9	73.0	102.9
May	175.6	981.5	1,157.1	17.3	38.2	55.5	174.9	861.7	1,036.5	14.5	38.4	52.9	350.5	1,843.1	2,193.6	31.8	76.6	108.4
Jun	168.4	984.3	1,152.7	17.1	33.4	50.5	181.4	857.8	1,039.1	11.8	35.0	46.8	349.8	1,842.1	2,191.8	28.9	68.4	97.3
Jul	171.3	985.6	1,156.9	19.3	37.5	56.8	178.2	860.6	1,038.7	13.4	38.1	51.5	349.5	1,846.2	2,195.6	32.7	75.6	108.3
Aug	172.0	988.5	1,160.6	17.3	40.3	57.6	178.1	854.7	1,032.8	13.1	40.1	53.1	350.2	1,843.2	2,193.4	30.4	80.4	110.8
Sep																		
Oct																		
Nov																		
Dec																		
Average:																		
Jan-Aug05	161.4	962.1	1,123.6	22.4	50.7	73.1	163.6	831.3	994.9	18.6	48.4	67.0	325.0	1,793.4	2,118.4	41.0	99.2	140.1
Jan-Aug06	174.5	981.8	1,156.3	16.3	37.4	53.7	176.5	854.7	1,031.1	13.7	39.6	53.3	351.0	1,836.5	2,187.4	30.0	77.1	107.0
% Change	8.1	2.0	2.9	-27.1	-26.2	-26.5	7.9	2.8	3.6	-26.4	-18.2	-20.5	8.0	2.4	3.3	-26.8	-22.3	-23.6

NOTE: due to relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

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5d BC Participation, Unemployment and Employment Rates by Age and Gender, Seasonally Adjusted

	Men									Women									Total								
	Part Rate (%)			Unempl Rate (%)			Empl Rate (%)			Part Rate (%)			Unempl Rate (%)			Empl Rate (%)			Part Rate (%)			Unempl Rate (%)			Empl Rate (%)		
	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages
1996	65.3	74.5	72.9	15.7	7.6	8.8	55.1	68.8	66.5	62.2	57.8	58.5	12.6	7.6	8.4	54.4	53.4	53.6	63.8	66.0	65.6	14.2	7.6	8.7	54.7	61.0	60.0
1997	63.7	73.9	72.1	16.8	7.3	8.7	52.9	68.5	65.8	61.6	58.6	59.1	13.5	6.9	8.0	53.3	54.6	54.4	62.6	66.1	65.5	15.2	7.1	8.4	53.1	61.4	60.0
1998	62.3	72.9	71.1	19.3	8.1	9.8	50.3	67.0	64.2	59.5	58.8	58.9	15.4	6.3	7.7	50.3	55.1	54.4	60.9	65.7	64.9	17.4	7.3	8.8	50.3	60.9	59.2
1999	62.0	72.8	71.0	16.1	7.6	8.9	52.0	67.2	64.6	60.5	59.1	59.3	12.4	6.6	7.5	53.0	55.2	54.9	61.3	65.8	65.1	14.3	7.2	8.3	52.5	61.1	59.7
2000	61.9	72.2	70.5	15.4	6.1	7.5	52.3	67.8	65.2	60.9	58.9	59.3	11.8	5.7	6.7	53.7	55.6	55.3	61.4	65.4	64.8	13.7	5.9	7.1	53.0	61.6	60.2
2001	61.2	71.3	69.5	16.1	7.2	8.6	51.3	66.1	63.6	59.7	58.3	58.6	11.5	5.9	6.8	52.8	54.9	54.6	60.5	64.7	64.0	13.9	6.6	7.7	52.1	60.4	59.0
2002	63.8	71.6	70.3	17.0	7.7	9.1	53.0	66.1	63.9	62.9	59.5	60.1	13.1	6.7	7.8	54.7	55.5	55.4	63.4	65.4	65.1	15.1	7.2	8.5	53.8	60.7	59.6
2003	63.0	72.2	70.7	16.0	6.8	8.2	52.9	67.3	64.8	63.2	60.2	60.7	12.7	6.8	7.8	55.2	56.1	55.9	63.1	66.1	65.6	14.4	6.8	8.0	54.0	61.6	60.3
2004	62.8	72.2	70.6	14.4	6.0	7.3	53.7	67.9	65.5	63.9	60.0	60.7	12.5	6.0	7.1	56.0	56.5	56.4	63.3	66.0	65.5	13.4	6.0	7.2	54.8	62.0	60.9
2005	64.2	72.1	70.8	10.9	4.9	5.8	57.2	68.6	66.7	65.5	59.8	60.7	9.4	5.2	5.9	59.4	56.6	57.1	64.8	65.8	65.6	10.1	5.0	5.9	58.2	62.5	61.8
2005 Jan	61.8	73.1	71.2	14.3	5.2	6.6	52.9	69.3	66.5	63.8	60.0	60.6	9.7	5.8	6.5	57.6	56.5	56.7	62.8	66.4	65.8	12.0	5.5	6.5	55.2	62.8	61.5
Feb	63.2	72.8	71.1	13.6	5.7	6.9	54.6	68.7	66.2	65.5	60.4	61.2	11.4	6.3	7.2	58.0	56.6	56.8	64.3	66.4	66.1	12.5	6.0	7.0	56.3	62.5	61.4
Mar	61.6	72.6	70.7	13.4	5.2	6.4	53.4	68.8	66.1	65.2	59.9	60.7	10.4	5.8	6.6	58.4	56.4	56.8	63.3	66.1	65.6	11.9	5.5	6.5	55.8	62.5	61.4
Apr	62.1	72.5	70.7	13.2	4.8	6.0	53.9	69.0	66.4	63.4	60.3	60.8	9.5	5.5	6.1	57.3	57.0	57.0	62.7	66.2	65.7	11.4	5.1	6.1	55.6	62.9	61.7
May	63.7	72.3	70.9	9.6	4.7	5.4	57.6	69.0	67.0	66.6	59.9	60.9	12.7	5.0	6.4	58.2	56.8	57.1	65.1	66.0	65.8	11.2	4.8	5.9	57.9	62.8	61.9
Jun	64.5	71.9	70.7	11.7	4.5	5.7	57.0	68.7	66.7	66.7	59.3	60.5	9.7	5.2	6.0	60.2	56.2	56.8	65.6	65.5	65.5	10.7	4.9	5.8	58.6	62.3	61.7
Jul	65.7	72.0	70.9	11.2	5.2	6.2	58.3	68.2	66.5	66.3	59.6	60.7	9.7	5.2	6.0	59.9	56.5	57.1	66.0	65.6	65.7	10.5	5.2	6.1	59.1	62.2	61.7
Aug	64.2	71.6	70.3	10.7	4.8	5.7	57.4	68.2	66.3	66.1	60.0	61.0	8.3	5.2	5.7	60.6	56.9	57.5	65.1	65.7	65.6	9.5	5.0	5.7	58.9	62.4	61.8
Sep	65.7	71.5	70.5	9.0	5.0	5.7	59.8	67.9	66.5	63.7	59.6	60.2	8.1	5.1	5.6	58.5	56.5	56.9	64.7	65.4	65.3	8.5	5.1	5.6	59.2	62.1	61.6
Oct	66.2	71.6	70.7	9.1	4.8	5.5	60.2	68.2	66.8	65.9	59.0	60.1	7.2	4.2	4.7	61.1	56.5	57.3	66.1	65.1	65.3	8.2	4.5	5.1	60.7	62.2	62.0
Nov	64.5	71.9	70.7	6.8	4.3	4.7	60.2	68.8	67.3	65.7	59.9	60.8	6.6	4.8	5.1	61.4	57.0	57.7	65.1	65.8	65.7	6.7	4.5	4.9	60.8	62.8	62.4
Dec	65.2	72.0	70.9	7.4	4.4	4.9	60.4	68.9	67.4	66.5	59.4	60.6	8.7	4.6	5.3	60.7	56.7	57.3	65.9	65.6	65.6	8.1	4.5	5.1	60.6	62.6	62.3
2006 Jan	64.6	71.5	70.3	8.3	4.3	5.0	59.2	68.4	66.8	65.7	60.1	61.0	6.9	5.0	5.3	61.2	57.1	57.7	65.1	65.7	65.6	7.6	4.7	5.1	60.2	62.6	62.2
Feb	65.4	71.5	70.4	8.1	3.8	4.5	60.1	68.7	67.3	66.8	59.6	60.7	7.0	4.7	5.1	62.1	56.8	57.7	66.1	65.4	65.5	7.6	4.2	4.8	61.1	62.6	62.4
Mar	65.9	71.4	70.5	7.8	3.4	4.1	60.8	69.1	67.6	67.3	59.6	60.9	7.3	4.4	4.9	62.4	57.0	57.9	66.6	65.4	65.6	7.5	3.8	4.4	61.6	62.9	62.7
Apr	65.6	71.0	70.1	6.9	3.2	3.8	61.1	68.8	67.5	68.7	59.9	61.3	8.6	4.5	5.2	62.8	57.2	58.1	67.1	65.3	65.6	7.7	3.8	4.5	62.0	62.9	62.7
May	65.6	71.3	70.3	9.0	3.7	4.6	59.7	68.6	67.1	67.2	60.1	61.2	7.7	4.3	4.9	62.1	57.5	58.3	66.4	65.6	65.7	8.3	4.0	4.7	60.9	63.0	62.6
Jun	63.1	71.0	69.7	9.2	3.3	4.2	57.2	68.7	66.7	68.5	59.5	60.9	6.1	3.9	4.3	64.3	57.2	58.3	65.7	65.1	65.2	7.6	3.6	4.3	60.7	62.8	62.5
Jul	64.7	71.3	70.2	10.1	3.7	4.7	58.2	68.7	66.9	67.9	59.8	61.1	7.0	4.2	4.7	63.2	57.3	58.2	66.3	65.4	65.6	8.6	3.9	4.7	60.6	62.9	62.5
Aug	64.3	71.6	70.3	9.1	3.9	4.7	58.4	68.8	67.0	67.8	59.5	60.8	6.9	4.5	4.9	63.1	56.8	57.8	66.0	65.4	65.5	8.0	4.2	4.8	60.7	62.6	62.3
Sep																											
Oct																											
Nov																											
Dec																											
Average:																											
Jan-Aug05	63.4	72.4	70.8	12.2	5.0	6.1	55.6	68.7	66.5	65.5	59.9	60.8	10.2	5.5	6.3	58.8	56.6	57.0	64.4	66.0	65.7	11.2	5.3	6.2	57.2	62.6	61.6
Jan-Aug06	64.9	71.3	70.2	8.6	3.7	4.5	59.3	68.7	67.1	67.5	59.8	61.0	7.2	4.4	4.9	62.7	57.1	58.0	66.2	65.4	65.5	7.9	4.0	4.7	61.0	62.8	62.5

NOTE: due to relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

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Source: Statistics Canada

6 B... Employment by Full-Time/Part-Time Status

	Men				Women				Total			
	Full-Time	Part-Time	Total	Part-time as % of Total	Full-Time	Part-Time	Total	Part-time as % of Total	Full-Time	Part-Time	Total	Part-time as % of Total
1996	887.4	108.8	996.1	10.9	563.4	256.8	820.3	31.3	1,450.8	365.6	1,816.4	20.1
1997	893.5	113.9	1,007.4	11.3	580.2	272.8	853.0	32.0	1,473.7	386.7	1,860.5	20.8
1998	870.1	123.9	994.0	12.5	590.2	274.2	864.4	31.7	1,460.3	398.0	1,858.4	21.4
1999	882.5	129.0	1,011.5	12.8	606.1	276.8	882.9	31.4	1,488.6	405.8	1,894.4	21.4
2000	914.1	117.2	1,031.3	11.4	619.2	280.8	900.0	31.2	1,533.3	398.0	1,931.3	20.6
2001	896.7	123.4	1,020.1	12.1	620.9	280.5	901.4	31.1	1,517.6	404.0	1,921.6	21.0
2002	891.8	145.9	1,037.7	14.1	624.6	302.8	927.3	32.7	1,516.4	448.7	1,965.0	22.8
2003	929.7	136.1	1,065.8	12.8	635.2	313.6	948.9	33.0	1,564.9	449.7	2,014.7	22.3
2004	960.1	131.0	1,091.2	12.0	670.7	300.9	971.5	31.0	1,630.8	431.9	2,062.7	20.9
2005	1,000.8	129.7	1,130.5	11.5	693.0	307.0	1,000.0	30.7	1,693.9	436.7	2,130.5	20.5
						seasonally adjusted						
2005 Jan	1,002.2	115.9	1,118.1	10.4	685.5	298.8	984.3	30.4	1,687.7	414.7	2,102.4	19.7
Feb	992.0	122.9	1,114.9	11.0	683.1	305.1	988.2	30.9	1,675.1	428.0	2,103.1	20.4
Mar	985.5	129.9	1,115.4	11.6	686.6	302.5	989.1	30.6	1,672.1	432.4	2,104.5	20.5
Apr	999.7	121.9	1,121.7	10.9	682.3	313.0	995.3	31.4	1,682.0	435.0	2,116.9	20.5
May	1,009.7	123.8	1,133.4	10.9	692.5	304.8	997.3	30.6	1,702.2	428.5	2,130.7	20.1
Jun	985.7	143.6	1,129.3	12.7	685.2	309.2	994.5	31.1	1,670.9	452.9	2,123.8	21.3
Jul	995.9	132.7	1,128.6	11.8	702.7	297.4	1,000.2	29.7	1,698.6	430.1	2,128.8	20.2
Aug	990.1	136.9	1,127.0	12.1	699.1	310.9	1,010.0	30.8	1,689.2	447.8	2,137.0	21.0
Sep	997.4	134.8	1,132.2	11.9	691.9	308.2	1,000.1	30.8	1,689.4	443.0	2,132.4	20.8
Oct	1,006.7	133.1	1,139.8	11.7	694.6	314.3	1,008.9	31.2	1,701.3	447.4	2,148.7	20.8
Nov	1,018.1	132.3	1,150.4	11.5	708.0	310.6	1,018.6	30.5	1,726.1	442.9	2,169.0	20.4
Dec	1,027.5	126.5	1,154.0	11.0	702.1	311.0	1,013.1	30.7	1,729.6	437.5	2,167.1	20.2
2006 Jan	1,018.7	126.5	1,145.2	11.0	717.8	303.9	1,021.7	29.7	1,736.5	430.4	2,166.9	19.9
Feb	1,004.1	150.3	1,154.5	13.0	709.3	312.2	1,021.5	30.6	1,713.4	462.5	2,175.9	21.3
Mar	1,016.0	146.3	1,162.3	12.6	714.3	312.4	1,026.7	30.4	1,730.3	458.7	2,189.0	21.0
Apr	1,019.9	141.1	1,161.0	12.2	726.7	305.2	1,031.9	29.6	1,746.6	446.3	2,192.8	20.4
May	1,019.6	137.5	1,157.1	11.9	730.1	306.4	1,036.5	29.6	1,749.6	444.0	2,193.6	20.2
Jun	1,012.7	140.0	1,152.7	12.1	731.0	308.1	1,039.1	29.7	1,743.7	448.1	2,191.8	20.4
Jul	1,020.2	136.7	1,156.9	11.8	726.6	312.1	1,038.7	30.0	1,746.8	448.8	2,195.6	20.4
Aug	1,025.0	135.5	1,160.6	11.7	735.6	297.3	1,032.8	28.8	1,760.6	432.8	2,193.4	19.7
Sep												
Oct												
Nov												
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Aug05	995.1	128.5	1,123.6	11.4	689.6	305.2	994.9	30.7	1,684.7	433.7	2,118.4	20.5
Jan-Aug06	1,017.0	139.2	1,156.3	12.0	723.9	307.2	1,031.1	29.8	1,740.9	446.5	2,187.4	20.4
% Change	2.2	8.4	2.9		5.0	0.7	3.6		3.3	2.9	3.3	

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Source: Statistics Canada

7a BC Employment by Industry

	All Industries		Total Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Other Primary		Utilities		Manufac-turing		Construc-tion	
	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg
1996	1,816.4		408.2		30.7		55.1		10.3		192.8		119.3	
1997	1,860.5	2.4	417.3	2.2	34.0	10.7	54.0	-2.0	9.9	-3.9	196.2	1.8	123.1	3.2
1998	1,858.4	-0.1	408.5	-2.1	33.0	-2.9	51.3	-5.0	11.1	12.1	195.9	-0.2	117.2	-4.8
1999	1,894.4	1.9	393.8	-3.6	28.1	-14.8	48.5	-5.5	11.1	0.0	191.8	-2.1	114.3	-2.5
2000	1,931.3	1.9	406.3	3.2	29.7	5.7	52.7	8.7	10.3	-7.2	202.5	5.6	111.1	-2.8
2001	1,921.6	-0.5	382.3	-5.9	25.5	-14.1	40.7	-22.8	10.5	1.9	194.9	-3.8	110.7	-0.4
2002	1,965.0	2.3	392.2	2.6	29.0	13.7	37.6	-7.6	11	4.8	196.6	0.9	118.1	6.7
2003	2,014.7	2.5	416.4	6.2	32.9	13.4	45.5	21.0	11.3	2.7	206.8	5.2	119.8	1.4
2004	2,062.7	2.4	436.9	4.9	36.9	12.2	35.6	-21.8	9.2	-18.6	211.2	2.1	144.0	20.2
2005	2,130.5	3.3	452.7	3.6	38.7	4.9	37.5	5.3	10.3	12.0	198.2	-6.2	168.0	16.7
							seasonally adjusted							
2005 Jan	2,102.4		458.9		39.6		37.5		8.1		209.4		164.3	
Feb	2,103.1	0.0	460.6	0.4	40.4	2.0	38.7	3.2	9.5	17.3	206.7	-1.3	165.5	0.7
Mar	2,104.5	0.1	449.2	-2.5	39.5	-2.2	36.1	-6.7	10.2	7.4	199.5	-3.5	164.0	-0.9
Apr	2,116.9	0.6	455.5	1.4	40.7	3.0	40.1	11.1	10.4	2.0	196.1	-1.7	168.3	2.6
May	2,130.7	0.7	452.0	-0.8	38.6	-5.2	41.4	3.2	12.9	24.0	194.3	-0.9	164.9	-2.0
Jun	2,123.8	-0.3	450.4	-0.4	39.2	1.6	40.5	-2.2	13.3	3.1	191.4	-1.5	166.0	0.7
Jul	2,128.8	0.2	458.4	1.8	42.6	8.7	35.3	-12.8	13.0	-2.3	199.6	4.3	167.9	1.1
Aug	2,137.0	0.4	447.6	-2.4	37.9	-11.0	37.1	5.1	11.2	-13.8	192.6	-3.5	168.8	0.5
Sep	2,132.4	-0.2	443.6	-0.9	35.6	-6.1	35.8	-3.5	10.3	-8.0	195.5	1.5	166.3	-1.5
Oct	2,148.7	0.8	443.2	-0.1	36.7	3.1	37.0	3.4	9.7	-5.8	192.7	-1.4	167.1	0.5
Nov	2,169.0	0.9	457.3	3.2	34.3	-6.5	35.0	-5.4	8.2	-15.5	207.1	7.5	172.7	3.4
Dec	2,167.1	-0.1	457.0	-0.1	39.6	15.5	36.4	4.0	7.3	-11.0	193.4	-6.6	180.4	4.5
2006 Jan	2,166.9	0.0	443.2	-3.0	34.2	-13.6	40.6	11.5	8.6	17.8	191.4	-1.0	168.3	-6.7
Feb	2,175.9	0.4	460.8	4.0	36.0	5.3	39.2	-3.4	8.0	-7.0	204.3	6.7	173.3	3.0
Mar	2,189.0	0.6	467.7	1.5	36.4	1.1	39.8	1.5	7.2	-10.0	207.1	1.4	177.2	2.3
Apr	2,192.8	0.2	459.9	-1.7	35.8	-1.6	39.0	-2.0	6.6	-8.3	201.0	-2.9	177.4	0.1
May	2,193.6	0.0	459.9	0.0	36.0	0.6	40.2	3.1	8.1	22.7	201.6	0.3	174.1	-1.9
Jun	2,191.8	-0.1	449.5	-2.3	32.2	-10.6	41.5	3.2	8.8	8.6	191.0	-5.3	176.0	1.1
Jul	2,195.6	0.2	463.6	3.1	34.1	5.9	40.2	-3.1	9.2	4.5	196.4	2.8	183.6	4.3
Aug	2,193.4	-0.1	459.1	-1.0	33.6	-1.5	44.6	10.9	9.0	-2.2	188.4	-4.1	183.5	-0.1
Sep														
Oct														
Nov														
Dec														
Average:														
Jan-Aug05	2,118.4		454.1		39.8		38.3		11.1		198.7		166.2	
Jan-Aug06	2,187.4		458.0		34.8		40.6		8.2		197.7		176.7	
% Change	3.3		0.9		-12.6		6.0		-26.1		-0.5		6.3	

NOTE: Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over previous month.

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Source: Statistics Canada

7b BC Employment by Industry

	Total Service Producing Industries		Transport and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Community and Personal Service								Public Administration	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health & Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.		Other Service	
	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg
1996	1,408.2		100.3		291.2		124.0		108.2		118.4		183.3		140.8		235.9		106.1	
1997	1,443.2	2.5	108.0	7.7	297.7	2.2	127.7	3.0	112.1	3.6	120.3	1.6	191.3	4.4	142.2	1.0	243.2	3.1	100.7	-5.1
1998	1,449.9	0.5	105.6	-2.2	289.7	-2.7	122.3	-4.2	122.8	9.5	118.3	-1.7	197.4	3.2	146.8	3.2	253.2	4.1	93.8	-6.9
1999	1,500.5	3.5	115.9	9.8	304.8	5.2	121.0	-1.1	135.8	10.6	127.3	7.6	193.3	-2.1	149.1	1.6	260.8	3.0	92.5	-1.4
2000	1,525.0	1.6	116.9	0.9	300.8	-1.3	118.3	-2.2	135.8	0.0	136.6	7.3	201.2	4.1	154.5	3.6	268.4	2.9	92.4	-0.1
2001	1,539.3	0.9	112.4	-3.8	303.3	0.8	120.9	2.2	139.2	2.5	138.3	1.2	196.8	-2.2	163.7	6.0	275.1	2.5	89.5	-3.1
2002	1,572.8	2.2	112.9	0.4	324.9	7.1	123.3	2.0	136.1	-2.2	139.3	0.7	211.6	7.5	162.5	-0.7	274.1	-0.4	88.1	-1.6
2003	1,598.3	1.6	119.6	5.9	327.8	0.9	124.5	1.0	139.3	2.4	140.1	0.6	213.3	0.8	159.4	-1.9	281.2	2.6	93.0	5.6
2004	1,625.8	1.7	116.5	-2.6	315.8	-3.7	129.2	3.8	146.3	5.0	135.9	-3.0	219.2	2.8	175.3	10.0	290.4	3.3	97.2	4.5
2005	1,677.8	3.2	118.7	1.9	334.6	6.0	132.9	2.9	163.6	11.8	146.1	7.5	217.4	-0.8	175.8	0.3	293.6	1.1	95.1	-2.2
									seasonally adjusted											
2005 Jan	1,643.5		114.9		321.4		128.3		155.9		139.1		220.4		177.1		292.7		93.8	
Feb	1,642.5	-0.1	113.5	-1.2	322.2	0.2	130.9	2.0	161.7	3.7	143.3	3.0	218.9	-0.7	166.8	-5.8	291.1	-0.5	93.9	0.1
Mar	1,655.3	0.8	114.2	0.6	328.0	1.8	137.3	4.9	163.1	0.9	143.5	0.1	216.4	-1.1	166.0	-0.5	292.1	0.3	94.8	1.0
Apr	1,661.4	0.4	110.7	-3.1	323.2	-1.5	131.7	-4.1	167.2	2.5	149.2	4.0	213.7	-1.2	178.5	7.5	292.1	0.0	95.3	0.5
May	1,678.7	1.0	119.0	7.5	329.1	1.8	134.9	2.4	167.3	0.1	149.2	0.0	208.3	-2.5	177.2	-0.7	290.7	-0.5	103.1	8.2
Jun	1,673.4	-0.3	118.1	-0.8	321.4	-2.3	139.8	3.6	171.5	2.5	151.4	1.5	209.7	0.7	173.3	-2.2	292.0	0.4	96.3	-6.6
Jul	1,670.4	-0.2	124.0	5.0	323.4	0.6	135.6	-3.0	163.8	-4.5	153.9	1.7	211.9	1.0	179.5	3.6	283.3	-3.0	95.1	-1.2
Aug	1,689.4	1.1	122.9	-0.9	338.4	4.6	137.0	1.0	164.3	0.3	149.5	-2.9	220.2	3.9	174.3	-2.9	286.6	1.2	96.2	1.2
Sep	1,688.8	0.0	124.9	1.6	342.4	1.2	127.4	-7.0	158.1	-3.8	148.3	-0.8	220.7	0.2	177.4	1.8	294.7	2.8	94.9	-1.4
Oct	1,705.5	1.0	121.6	-2.6	359.8	5.1	129.2	1.4	159.6	0.9	139.9	-5.7	225.1	2.0	178.9	0.8	298.6	1.3	92.8	-2.2
Nov	1,711.7	0.4	120.8	-0.7	353.1	-1.9	131.9	2.1	166.6	4.4	142.0	1.5	225.7	0.3	178.6	-0.2	301.8	1.1	91.2	-1.7
Dec	1,710.0	-0.1	118.4	-2.0	351.4	-0.5	131.1	-0.6	164.5	-1.3	146.1	2.9	218.2	-3.3	181.4	1.6	305.1	1.1	93.8	2.9
2006 Jan	1,723.7	0.8	124.2	4.9	352.0	0.2	128.0	-2.4	166.5	1.2	152.0	4.0	210.6	-3.5	180.3	-0.6	312.7	2.5	97.4	3.8
Feb	1,715.2	-0.5	128.7	3.6	361.1	2.6	129.4	1.1	171.6	3.1	150.2	-1.2	213.2	1.2	174.8	-3.1	292.4	-6.5	93.6	-3.9
Mar	1,721.3	0.4	126.1	-2.0	358.9	-0.6	132.7	2.6	166.1	-3.2	153.1	1.9	224.3	5.2	161.8	-7.4	304.0	4.0	94.3	0.7
Apr	1,733.0	0.7	123.8	-1.8	365.3	1.8	129.5	-2.4	171.4	3.2	152.4	-0.5	224.1	-0.1	166.8	3.1	305.0	0.3	94.8	0.5
May	1,733.7	0.0	122.2	-1.3	364.5	-0.2	132.3	2.2	168	-2.0	151.4	-0.7	237.3	5.9	167.1	0.2	298.6	-2.1	92.2	-2.7
Jun	1,742.3	0.5	124.3	1.7	369.4	1.3	136.4	3.1	161.3	-4.0	154.5	2.0	243.7	2.7	167.4	0.2	298.3	-0.1	87.0	-5.6
Jul	1,732.1	-0.6	114.7	-7.7	349.1	-5.5	141.7	3.9	162.3	0.6	160.2	3.7	245.4	0.7	165.1	-1.4	300.3	0.7	93.3	7.2
Aug	1,734.3	0.1	115.1	0.3	347.9	-0.3	145.1	2.4	174	7.2	155.5	-2.9	242.1	-1.3	168.7	2.2	303.4	1.0	82.4	-11.7
Sep																				
Oct																				
Nov																				
Dec																				
Average:																				
Jan-Aug05	1,664.3		117.2		325.9		134.4		164.4		147.4		214.9		174.1		290.1		96.1	
Jan-Aug06	1,729.5		122.4		358.5		134.4		167.7		153.7		230.1		169.0		301.8		91.9	
% Change	3.9		4.5		10.0		0.0		2.0		4.3		7.0		-2.9		4.1		-4.4	

NOTE: Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over previous month.

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Source: Statistics Canada

8 BC Employment and Unemployment Rate by Occupation, Actual

	Management		Business Finance & Admin.		Natural & Applied Sciences		Health		Social Sci. Education Govt Service & Religion		Art Culture Recreation & Sport		Sales & Service		Trades Transport & Equipment Operators		Occupations Unique to Primary		Occupations Unique to Processing, Mfg & Utilities		All Occupations	
	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %
1996	186.0	3.3	327.0	3.7	98.5	4.0	91.1	2.3	143.9	3.1	56.8	5.3	460.6	7.2	297.1	9.1	71.9	14.5	83.5	8.4	1,816.4	8.7
1997	180.0	2.9	339.9	3.7	103.1	3.3	97.9	1.8	141.8	3.4	56.3	6.5	477.7	5.8	311.6	7.1	68.9	15.5	83.3	8.3	1,860.5	8.4
1998	192.8	2.6	340.5	3.2	108.3	4.4	100.0	1.5	138.6	4.1	57.6	5.4	478.9	6.5	288.8	9.3	68.8	16.1	84.1	8.5	1,858.4	8.8
1999	195.6	2.4	344.7	3.4	124.1	3.4	97.7	1.7	143.1	2.7	66.6	4.0	485.5	6.8	287.6	8.1	64.1	14.6	85.3	6.8	1,894.4	8.3
2000	200.3	1.8	336.0	3.2	124.0	2.4	104.5	0.6	151.3	3.1	61.5	4.8	501.0	5.5	286.3	7.6	70.4	13.5	95.9	6.1	1,931.3	7.1
2001	171.6	2.6	340.2	4.1	118.5	4.7	102.3	1.8	149.0	3.2	59.8	5.7	537.4	5.5	285.9	7.7	61.4	13.5	95.6	8.8	1,921.6	7.7
2002	173.7	2.8	333.5	4.2	118.0	5.1	113.7	2.0	161.7	2.9	64.8	6.5	557.6	6.0	284.9	7.9	60.9	14.9	96.3	8.9	1,965.0	8.5
2003	182.1	1.9	351.5	4.1	126.6	6.1	117.2	1.8	162.5	3.2	67.0	6.6	540.4	6.2	297.3	7.1	72.9	12.5	97.3	6.8	2,014.7	8.0
2004	192.9	2.6	353.1	3.8	120.6	5.0	119.1	1.6	155.6	3.9	73.3	5.2	556.2	5.9	319.5	5.9	69.6	10.9	102.8	7.0	2,062.7	7.2
2005	193.0	2.3	383.0	2.9	136.1	3.0	118.6	1.2	172.4	2.5	71.3	4.8	558.0	4.7	330.8	4.5	71.3	9.5	96.1	6.1	2,130.5	5.9
2005 Jan	184.5	2.5	375.6	3.0	129.2	3.5	124.2	1.5	159.2	2.6	64.8	7.7	543.4	6.7	311.8	8.4	59.5	15.6	105.8	4.9	2,058.0	7.2
Feb	186.8	2.5	379.5	2.8	126.7	5.0	122.4	1.1	166.8	3.1	58.4	2.0	546.4	7.0	320.1	6.8	62.7	14.9	100.0	7.0	2,069.8	7.6
Mar	177.6	2.8	385.4	2.4	125.3	2.2	111.4	1.2	176.3	3.3	66.2	2.5	551.6	6.1	325.0	6.0	64.6	11.1	97.1	7.9	2,080.6	6.7
Apr	190.2	2.6	375.6	3.3	139.5	1.7	110.0	1.5	172.3	2.5	65.8	1.9	552.9	4.5	322.8	5.5	69.0	10.7	94.4	8.9	2,092.4	6.2
May	183.4	2.9	401.0	3.5	139.3	3.7	104.6	0.9	180.4	1.3	65.8	5.7	558.1	4.3	332.8	3.9	76.9	9.4	96.0	5.6	2,138.3	6.0
Jun	176.7	2.5	391.2	3.7	142.4	3.7	115.7	1.7	182.4	0.7	78.3	4.6	556.5	3.2	342.6	3.4	83.4	6.8	90.1	9.0	2,159.2	5.5
Jul	187.1	2.9	394.2	3.3	142.9	2.3	119.0	0.4	161.2	4.0	69.0	8.6	556.2	4.6	349.1	3.2	84.9	5.8	97.9	6.8	2,161.4	6.3
Aug	189.7	1.4	390.8	4.1	144.8	2.0	122.9	0.8	163.1	5.7	69.0	7.8	562.3	5.3	344.8	3.6	83.1	7.3	96.2	4.1	2,166.7	6.3
Sep	193.2	2.6	384.2	2.0	139.3	2.3	129.2	1.0	172.4	2.1	70.0	4.9	559.3	3.7	329.0	3.4	73.0	9.3	93.0	5.3	2,142.7	5.1
Oct	207.4	2.4	377.2	2.6	126.0	3.0	124.8	1.3	179.6	1.4	81.3	4.7	571.5	3.4	325.3	3.6	77.0	6.0	90.8	4.9	2,160.9	4.6
Nov	220.9	1.4	366.1	2.9	136.3	3.8	126.8	1.4	175.3	1.6	84.1	3.3	567.2	4.0	333.8	2.8	59.5	10.1	97.9	2.9	2,168.0	4.5
Dec	218.2	1.3	374.7	1.8	141.7	2.3	112.4	1.1	179.5	2.3	83.2	2.9	570.3	3.3	332.6	3.8	61.8	10.2	94.2	5.2	2,168.6	4.4
2006 Jan	205.8	2.0	374.7	2.8	150.6	2.5	112.6	2.0	175.6	1.1	77.9	4.9	563.0	4.3	322.9	6.0	56.5	14.1	82.8	7.9	2,122.5	5.8
Feb	214.0	1.7	375.9	2.3	152.6	2.4	116.6	1.5	175.2	2.3	79.2	2.3	543.7	4.2	331.7	5.0	62.8	10.9	90.1	6.7	2,141.7	5.2
Mar	211.7	1.6	369.1	2.7	146.5	2.6	110.2	1.3	183.3	2.7	82.4	3.3	549.3	3.4	347.7	3.7	68.9	7.6	95.9	2.9	2,164.9	4.5
Apr	204.6	0.9	372.3	2.7	157.0	1.1	113.8	1.7	172.9	1.9	75.7	2.4	560.2	3.5	346.1	4.0	74.1	7.6	92.3	3.0	2,169.1	4.6
May	203.8	1.3	375.9	2.9	155.2	2.9	127.0	1.4	180.2	2.2	79.2	2.2	560.2	3.4	345.2	4.6	77.5	9.6	98.6	2.2	2,202.6	4.9
Jun	202.7	0.4	373.4	2.2	152.7	3.0	134.7	2.2	178.6	2.1	77.4	0.6	576.1	2.6	359.6	3.3	79.1	8.3	91.9	3.4	2,226.3	3.9
Jul	204.9	1.3	376.1	2.9	146.3	3.0	140.4	1.1	161.4	4.0	72.6	2.6	567.0	3.8	376.2	4.3	82.5	7.5	100.8	4.1	2,228.2	5.1
Aug	209.3	2.1	368.9	3.0	148.7	2.3	149.0	0.9	157.6	9.9	68.8	5.5	561.1	4.6	372.9	3.2	86.4	4.4	99.6	3.3	2,222.3	5.4
Sep																						
Oct																						
Nov																						
Dec																						
Average:																						
Jan-Aug05	184.5	2.5	386.7	3.3	136.3	3.0	116.3	1.1	170.2	2.9	67.2	5.1	553.4	5.2	331.1	5.1	73.0	10.2	97.2	6.8	2,115.8	6.5
Jan-Aug06	207.1	1.4	373.3	2.7	151.2	2.5	125.5	1.5	173.1	3.3	76.7	3.0	560.1	3.7	350.3	4.2	73.5	8.8	94.0	4.2	2,184.7	4.9
% Change	12.2		-3.5		11.0		8.0		1.7		14.1		1.2		5.8		0.6		-3.3		3.3	

NOTES: 1. Occupation specific Unemployment Rates include only those unemployed who worked in the past year. The "All Occupations" rate incorporates total unemployed persons which includes an "Occupation Unclassified" category.

2. Due to the relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

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Source: Statistics Canada

9 BC Employment and Unemployment Rate by Region and Metropolitan Area

	British Columbia		Vancouver		Victoria		Abbotsford		Development Regions: Vancouver Island/ Coast		Mainland/ Southwest		Thompson-Okanagan		Kootenay		Cariboo		North Coast & Nechako		Northeast	
	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %
1996	1,816.4	8.7	946.5	7.9	142.7	8.6	62.7	11.4	308.7	9.4	1071.4	8.2	200.3	10.5	65.8	8.7	86.2	8.6	51.7	7.5	32.3	7.2
1997	1,860.5	8.4	966.4	8.2	149.8	7.6	68.2	8.0	322.0	8.7	1098.9	8.2	206.1	8.3	65.3	9.3	83.3	9.8	51.8	9.0	33.1	4.6
1998	1,858.4	8.8	970.8	8.0	147.2	8.7	66.9	10.1	315.5	9.7	1103.9	8.1	207.4	8.2	70.0	12.0	82.7	14.5	47.3	9.7	31.6	NA
1999	1,894.4	8.3	996.0	7.7	155.3	6.6	66.9	7.6	330.0	7.9	1130.1	7.7	206.1	9.6	69.4	9.3	81.4	11.6	46.7	8.8	30.7	8.9
2000	1,931.3	7.1	1,032.1	5.8	155.3	6.7	68.3	7.5	327.4	7.8	1164.6	6.1	210.3	9.3	70.8	10.0	79.1	9.9	47.3	10.2	31.8	5.9
2001	1,921.6	7.7	1,039.1	6.6	150.8	6.3	71.4	6.7	307.3	9.2	1175.0	6.7	210.2	9.3	70.4	9.7	79.4	9.7	46.6	11.2	32.5	6.1
2002	1,965.0	8.5	1,072.1	7.7	155.7	7.0	75.2	7.5	317.4	8.7	1,216.7	7.7	208.1	9.4	66.6	10.0	78.0	12.7	44.9	12.6	33.2	9.0
2003	2,014.7	8.0	1,103.5	7.3	158.7	6.2	74.9	7.5	319.1	8.6	1,251.4	7.3	218.8	8.8	67.4	11.5	78.2	11.1	44.8	11.3	34.9	6.4
2004	2,062.7	7.2	1,127.5	6.7	162.0	5.3	78.5	6.4	334.2	7.9	1,275.3	6.7	229.7	6.6	67.1	9.2	80.7	9.1	42.4	11.6	33.3	5.4
2005	2,130.5	5.9	1,155.7	5.7	169.3	4.5	78.3	5.5	350.0	6.3	1,307.3	5.7	244.0	5.3	69.2	6.1	80.1	7.4	45.7	8.1	34.3	4.7
	3- month moving average, actual, ending in:																					
2005 Jan	2,075.5	6.3	1,136.1	6.0	162.2	5.1	75.3	6.9	335.8	7.0	1,275.2	6.0	233.9	5.7	71.5	7.8	81.3	6.9	44.5	9.6	33.4	4.9
Feb	2,073.8	6.8	1,141.0	6.3	162.6	5.3	74.2	7.1	334.8	7.8	1,278.7	6.3	233.1	6.7	68.9	8.7	80.1	8.1	43.9	10.0	34.5	4.4
Mar	2,069.4	7.2	1,142.3	6.7	163.0	5.6	75.8	6.4	331.3	8.6	1,284.1	6.6	229.9	6.6	68.0	7.9	77.8	9.8	43.3	11.5	35.0	4.9
Apr	2,080.9	6.8	1,146.1	6.3	165.6	4.9	76.7	5.9	334.6	7.9	1,292.3	6.3	229.8	6.3	68.8	8.1	76.1	10.5	43.9	10.2	35.5	4.1
May	2,103.8	6.3	1,151.6	6.1	169.0	4.1	77.5	5.8	341.7	6.5	1,301.8	6.1	234.3	5.7	69.5	6.3	76.0	9.5	45.1	8.7	35.4	5.6
Jun	2,130.0	5.9	1,156.8	6.0	171.3	3.5	77.7	5.8	351.5	5.2	1,308.8	5.9	240.9	5.5	70.0	5.1	76.7	9.6	46.7	7.2	35.3	5.4
Jul	2,153.0	5.9	1,161.3	6.3	172.9	3.6	78.7	5.7	357.4	5.4	1,315.9	6.2	246.8	5.2	70.0	4.0	79.4	7.6	48.3	6.8	35.2	5.1
Aug	2,162.4	6.0	1,160.2	6.5	173.6	4.1	79.1	4.9	361.8	5.7	1,316.5	6.3	248.9	5.3	70.4	5.2	80.3	7.0	50.0	5.7	34.6	4.4
Sep	2,156.9	5.9	1,154.4	6.2	173.2	4.7	79.1	5.3	359.8	6.4	1,310.8	6.1	252.5	4.9	70.3	6.3	81.0	5.4	49.3	5.7	33.3	4.3
Oct	2,156.8	5.4	1,152.1	5.4	173.4	4.7	79.3	4.8	360.9	5.9	1,308.1	5.3	254.5	4.9	71.1	5.7	81.8	5.1	47.6	6.1	32.7	4.4
Nov	2,157.2	4.8	1,160.8	4.5	171.2	4.4	80.1	5.2	356.5	5.7	1,316.8	4.5	252.4	4.4	70.8	5.2	83.4	4.8	45.2	6.8	32.1	4.5
Dec	2,165.9	4.5	1,169.5	4.1	169.4	4.0	80.7	4.9	357.4	5.3	1,325.6	4.2	252.6	4.1	68.4	5.4	84.9	4.8	43.5	7.6	33.5	NA
2006 Jan	2,153.1	4.9	1,163.0	4.5	167.0	4.0	81.1	5.5	356.0	5.4	1,318.7	4.6	250.3	4.1	66.8	6.4	84.7	5.8	42.4	9.4	34.2	NA
Feb	2,144.3	5.1	1,152.3	4.8	168.0	3.8	81.2	5.0	360.9	5.3	1,307.2	4.8	249.7	5.0	65.9	7.2	84.1	5.8	41.8	9.7	34.7	NA
Mar	2,143.1	5.2	1,149.3	4.8	170.5	3.8	81.4	4.9	364.1	5.3	1,304.2	4.9	249.1	5.5	66.3	6.5	83.5	6.1	41.7	9.1	34.1	NA
Apr	2,158.6	4.8	1,163.7	4.3	173.7	3.5	80.5	4.6	366.9	4.9	1,318.2	4.3	248.6	6.0	66.7	5.7	82.9	5.9	42.1	7.7	33.2	NA
May	2,178.9	4.7	1,178.8	4.2	174.6	4.1	79.7	5.7	368.2	5.1	1,333.3	4.2	252.0	5.3	66.8	4.7	82.3	6.9	43.5	6.4	32.7	NA
Jun	2,199.3	4.5	1,191.4	4.1	176.3	3.6	80.0	5.1	370.4	4.5	1,346.0	4.1	252.4	5.0	70.1	5.7	83.0	6.6	44.8	5.1	32.7	4.4
Jul	2,219.0	4.6	1,204.3	4.4	177.7	3.6	81.3	4.8	372.6	4.4	1,358.8	4.4	255.0	5.0	71.1	6.1	83.6	6.8	45.1	4.7	32.9	NA
Aug	2,225.6	4.8	1,210.7	4.5	178.5	3.5	82.7	3.9	372.9	4.6	1,364.9	4.5	254.4	6.0	72.0	6.1	83.7	6.2	44.2	5.6	33.5	NA
Sep																						
Oct																						
Nov																						
Dec																						
Average:	year-to-date averages are based on monthy actual data																					
Jan-Aug05	2,115.8	6.5	1,151.3	6.4	168.9	4.6	77.4	5.8	346.6	6.8	1,300.8	6.4	239.5	5.8	69.3	6.4	78.3	8.7	46.4	8.3	34.9	NA
Jan-Aug06	2,184.7	4.9	1,181.1	4.6	174.6	3.8	81.3	4.9	368.6	4.9	1,335.7	4.6	251.7	5.6	68.8	5.9	83.2	6.5	43.4	7.0	33.4	NA
% Change	3.3		2.6		3.4		5.1		6.3		2.7		5.1		-0.7		6.3		-6.5		-4.4	

NOTE: Geographic boundaries changed on January 1, 2005.

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Source: Statistics Canada

10 BC Employment by Class of Worker

	Total Employment		Employees						Self-Employed	
			Total		Public		Private			
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1996	1,816.4		1,489.5		332.1		1,157.4		326.9	
1997	1,860.5	2.4	1,500.4	0.7	336.2	1.2	1,164.2	0.6	360.1	10.2
1998	1,858.4	-0.1	1,474.6	-1.7	333.7	-0.7	1,140.8	-2.0	383.8	6.6
1999	1,894.4	1.9	1,512.9	2.6	345.9	3.7	1,167.1	2.3	381.4	-0.6
2000	1,931.3	1.9	1,574.7	4.1	358.9	3.8	1,215.9	4.2	356.6	-6.5
2001	1,921.6	-0.5	1,570.1	-0.3	350.8	-2.3	1,219.3	0.3	351.4	-1.5
2002	1,965.0	2.3	1,601.7	2.0	353.6	0.8	1,248.1	2.4	363.3	3.4
2003	2,014.7	2.5	1,638.4	2.3	360.5	2.0	1,277.9	2.4	376.3	3.6
2004	2,062.7	2.4	1,671.3	2.0	366.6	1.7	1,304.7	2.1	391.4	4.0
2005	2,130.5	3.3	1,714.8	2.6	369.8	0.9	1,345.0	3.1	415.8	6.2
					seasonally adjusted					
2005 Jan	2,102.4		1,697.9		367.2		1,330.7		404.5	
Feb	2,103.1	0.0	1,694.3	-0.2	370.2	0.8	1,324.2	-0.5	408.8	1.1
Mar	2,104.5	0.1	1,689.6	-0.3	355.5	-4.0	1,334.0	0.7	414.9	1.5
Apr	2,116.9	0.6	1,702.7	0.8	365.5	2.8	1,337.2	0.2	414.2	-0.2
May	2,130.7	0.7	1,736.3	2.0	376.7	3.1	1,359.6	1.7	394.5	-4.8
Jun	2,123.8	-0.3	1,717.8	-1.1	379.7	0.8	1,338.0	-1.6	406.0	2.9
Jul	2,128.8	0.2	1,708.9	-0.5	376.9	-0.7	1,332.0	-0.4	419.9	3.4
Aug	2,137.0	0.4	1,718.8	0.6	373.8	-0.8	1,345.0	1.0	418.1	-0.4
Sep	2,132.4	-0.2	1,713.0	-0.3	368.8	-1.3	1,344.2	-0.1	419.3	0.3
Oct	2,148.7	0.8	1,715.4	0.1	367.7	-0.3	1,347.7	0.3	433.3	3.3
Nov	2,169.0	0.9	1,743.9	1.7	367.2	-0.1	1,376.7	2.2	425.1	-1.9
Dec	2,167.1	-0.1	1,736.6	-0.4	368.8	0.4	1,367.8	-0.6	430.5	1.3
2006 Jan	2,166.9	0.0	1,756.3	1.1	382.3	3.7	1,374.0	0.5	410.7	-4.6
Feb	2,175.9	0.4	1,767.1	0.6	372.8	-2.5	1,394.3	1.5	408.9	-0.4
Mar	2,189.0	0.6	1,772.5	0.3	382.1	2.5	1,390.5	-0.3	416.5	1.9
Apr	2,192.8	0.2	1,787.9	0.9	384.8	0.7	1,403.1	0.9	405.0	-2.8
May	2,193.6	0.0	1,794.4	0.4	388.2	0.9	1,406.2	0.2	399.2	-1.4
Jun	2,191.8	-0.1	1,802.1	0.4	390.4	0.6	1,411.7	0.4	389.7	-2.4
Jul	2,195.6	0.2	1,792.8	-0.5	395.0	1.2	1,397.7	-1.0	402.8	3.4
Aug	2,193.4	-0.1	1,768.7	-1.3	389.3	-1.4	1,379.4	-1.3	424.7	5.4
Sep										
Oct										
Nov										
Dec										
Average:										
Jan-Aug05	2,118.4		1,708.3		370.7		1,337.6		410.1	
Jan-Aug06	2,187.4		1,780.2		385.6		1,394.6		407.2	
% Change	3.3		4.2		4.0		4.3		-0.7	

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Labour Force Statistics

This report is based on statistics from the Labour Force Survey produced monthly by Statistics Canada. Questions and comments should be directed to Data Services at (250)387-0327 or write to BC.Stats@gov.bc.ca.

Definitions and Explanatory Notes

Reference Week

Monthly estimates of employment, unemployment, and persons not in the labour force refer to the specific week covered by the survey each month, normally the week containing the 15th day.

Labour Force

The labour force is composed of those members of the civilian non-institutional population 15 years of age and over who, during the reference week, were employed or unemployed.

Employed

Employed persons are those who, during the reference week, either: (a) did any work at all, or (b) had a job but were not at work due to own illness or disability, personal or family responsibilities, bad weather, labour dispute, vacation, or other reason not specified above (excluding persons whose job attachment was to a job to start at a definite date in the future).

Unemployment

Unemployed persons are those who, during the reference week, either: (a) were without work, had actively looked for work in the past four weeks (ending with the reference week), and were available for work; or (b) had not actively looked for work in the past four weeks but had been on layoff and were available for work; or (c) had not actively looked for work in the past four weeks but had a new job to start in four weeks or less from the reference week, and were available for work.

Unemployment Rate

The unemployment rate represents the number of unemployed persons expressed as a per-centage of the labour force. The unemployment rate for a particular group (age, sex, marital status, etc.) is the number of unemployed in that group expressed as a percentage of the labour force for that group.

Participation Rate

The participation rate represents the labour force expressed as a percentage of the population 15 years of age and over. The participation rate for a particular group (age, sex, marital status, etc.) is the labour force for that group expressed as a percentage of the population for that group.

Employment Rate

The employment rate(employment/population ratio) is the number of employed persons expressed as a percentage of the population 15 years of age and over. The employment rate for a particular group (age, sex, marital status, etc.) is the employment for that group expressed as a percentage of the population for that group.

Rounding

Estimates published by the Labour Force Survey are rounded to the nearest thousand but all derived values (totals, averages, rates, ratios, percent changes, etc.) are calculated from unrounded figures. Therefore, the sum of the individual rounded items may not equal the total. Unadjusted estimates rounded to hundreds are available from BC STATS on request.

Seasonal Adjustment

Fluctuations in economic time series are caused by seasonal, cyclical and irregular movements. A seasonally adjusted series is one from which seasonal movements have been eliminated. Seasonal movements are defined as those which are caused by regular annual events such as climate, holidays, vacation periods, and cycles related to crops, production and retail sales associated with Christmas and Easter. It should be noted that the seasonally adjusted series contain irregular as well as longer-term cyclical fluctuations.

Source: Extracted from Statistics Canada, Labour Force Survey, Definitions and Explanations